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Kissinger taking revised Israeli map to Damascus in hope of gaining accord

Plan said not harming Golan security

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is to take a revised Israeli disengagement map with him today from Jerusalem to Damascus, in the hope that a new display of Israeli flexibility will induce tangible concessions from the Syrian leaders.

The new Israeli proposals (see columns 2 and 3) involve some pullbacks from the 1967 cease-fire line — but the Israel Government is convinced that they would not prejudice the security of any of the settlements on the Golan Heights.

The Cabinet met for over three hours yesterday evening to approve the new proposals after they had been defined and formulated during the day by an American-Israeli working group of senior officials.

The proposals were adopted by consensus, without a vote being called.

A full exchange of PoWs is understood by Israel to be an integral part of a disengagement.

Israel is also understood to have agreed to a proposal for U.N. surveillance of the disengagement which would be something of a hybrid between the Unef-style garrison which occupies the Suez buffer zone and the small force of Untso observers which Syria had demanded. What is envisaged, according to informed sources, is an armed and mobile force of UN troops which would patrol the buffer zone and prevent incursions. The buffer zone will vary in width, parts of it being very narrow indeed.

Henry Kissinger, left, shakes hands across the table with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko as they met yesterday in Nicosia at Archbishop Makarios' palace. (AP radiophoto)

Israeli observers were by no means optimistic last night that the new proposals woud be accepted by Syria — or even suffice to provide some new momentum to the disengagement talks which have slowed to a crawl.

So far, Syria has exhibited stolid intransigence in the disengagement talks. Israel remains unconvinced of Syria's desire for a disengagement accord that would effectively end hostilities between the two countries. Israel continues to insist on a string of security arrangements as part of a disengagement — and especially a meaningful "limited forces" zone stretching back some 40 kms. from the line of Israeli settlements — but Syria has refused to countenance any such ideas.

The new Israeli proposals, therefore, seem to be intended rather to reassure the Secretary of Israel's desire for a settlement than in the real expectation of eliciting a positive response from Damascus. As Deputy Premier Yigal Allon indicated yesterday in the Knesset (see Column 1), the government is anxious to demonstrate, both to the U.S. and to "constructive elements in the Arab world," that Syrian intransigence is responsible for the absence of a disengagement accord.

It was not yet clear last night what effect, if any, yesterday's Kissinger-Gromyko meeting in Cyprus would have on the course of the disengagement talks. Asked after the meeting whether the Soviets were adopting "a constructive attitude on the disengagement, the U.S. Secretary replied significantly, that this would become apparent "during the next few days." He continued: "I hope the Soviet Union is as intent as we are on reducing tensions in the Middle East."

Observers read into this statement a veiled warning to the Soviets not to raise obstacles in the way of the negotiations. On the plane back from Cyprus to Israel, a senior U.S. official predicted that the Russians indeed would not stand in the way of an accord.

U.S. officials stressed again yesterday that the meeting had been initiated by the Soviets and that its purpose had been to give Russia a sense of participating in the negotiations.

Nevertheless, most observers believed that the Secretary had in fact tried to enlist Mr. Gromyko's aid in moving Damascus towards a more conciliatory position in the talks — and towards a scaling down of the current hostilities.

The Secretary's observation that the coming days would reveal Soviet intentions seemed to confirm that there was a specific contribution which the Secretary was expecting the Soviets to make.

Last night, Dr. Kissinger met privately with Premier Golda Meir and then the American and Israel: full negotiating teams held a working dinner at the home of Foreign Minister Eban. A small group of National Religious youth demonstrated outside the residence protesting against the government's reported withdrawal plans.

Dr. Kissinger will decide today, after his meeting with Syria's President Assad, whether to return to Jerusalem this evening, or continue on to Egypt and Saudi Arabia. In any event, he is expected back here on Friday for what may well be the last shuttle in this present round of talks.

BUFFER ZONE, PURPLE LINE CHANGE SEEN

By ASHER WALLFISH and MALKA RABINOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporters

Israel has agreed to the establishment of a buffer zone on the Golan Heights and to changes in the 1967 cease-fire lines.

This emerged in the Knesset yesterday when Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon replied to an urgent motion for the agenda by Likud leader Menahem Begin. Mr. Allon said the changes would not adversely affect Israel's defensive deployment.

Even if it was called "withdrawal," said Mr. Allon, the Government was firm in its determination to assure the security and development of the Golan settlements which had been set up to give Israel defensive borders.

Mr. Allon was replying to Begin's charge that the Government intended a retreat on the Golan. The Likud motion was later moved to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee (see separate story).

Allon warned against minimising hostile designs by states within the Middle East and beyond, Israel must strengthen the hands of the "constructive" Arab states and cut the ground away from under the Arab extremists, he said.

A Government principle in disengagement was the desire to promote bilateral relations with the U.S. — relations which had successfully weathered trials.

Syrian obduracy might thwart Israeli efforts to achieve disengagement. But it was important that friendly countries, especially the U.S., realise that the blame lay with Syria and not with Israel.

It was important for Arab states with a "positive" outlook to know that Syria sought to drag Israel into hostilities, he said.

Israel insisted on a prisoner of war exchange as an integral condition of disengagement. Jerusalem had asked for an immediate exchange of 12 wounded Israeli P-o-Ws for 25 wounded Syrians.

Efforts would continue to help the oppressed Syrian Jews, even though their plight could not be included in the formal framework of the disengagement talks. Those who sling mud at Dr. Kissinger may yet regret their words, because it is actions not declarations that count, said the Minister.

(In the Knesset Presidium earlier, Likud members protested vociferously when Cabinet Secretary Gershon Avner explained why the Government was reluctant that urgency be granted to a Likud motion about Dr. Kissinger's expressions on the plight of Syrian Jewry — see earlier story).

On the line of separation of forces, Allon said the Government's basic proposals might undergo tactical changes, but these would be referred to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, and the approval of the Knesset would be required before the Government was committed on disengagement — just as the disengagement with Egypt only became binding when the Knesset approved it by 76 votes.

Disengagement could give the prospects of peace another chance, he said. But it must be a military reality in the field, with troop reductions, and weapons limitations in mutually agreed zones. A buffer zone must be set up, of varying width, manned by U.N. forces as in Sinai, he said. They would have more political than military value, but would play a supervisory role as well.

The Golan Heights were an integral part of Israel's strategic security deployment, he said. Control of the Golan was vital to protect the entire north of Israel and give the strategic depth needed for defence. It was also vital to protect the water which flowed to the Negev. Control of the Golan was much more than merely protection of the villages established on the Heights.

He emphasized that the U.S. was neither pressuring Israel nor threa-

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ISRAEL PLAN FOR GOLAN

By ARI RATH, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's compromise proposal which Dr. Kissinger is to take with him to Damascus today reportedly provides for the following arrangement:

- Kuneitra — the eastern part of the town would be included in the buffer zone controlled by U.N. forces, and Syrian civilians would be permitted to return there. Syrian peasants would also be allowed back into the post-October bulge, part of which would be returned to Syria and part included in the buffer zone.

The three strategic hills around Kuneitra to the northwest, west and southwest of the town would remain under Israeli control. These three hills overlook the settlements of Ein Zivan, Merom Hagolan and El-Rom.

- Rafid — a small area of the Rafid region in the southern sector of the Golan Heights, where the 1967 cease-fire line was not changed by the October war, would also be returned to Syrian civilian administration within the U.N.-controlled buffer zone.
- The Hermon — the peaks taken in the October war would be made over to the U.N. while Israel would maintain control of other strategic points on the mountain range.

Sporadic shelling by Syrians in the North

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Intermittent Syrian shelling was reported from most parts of the Golan Heights yesterday. But there were no casualties and the intensity of the Syrian fire, compared to Monday's exchanges, was reported to have diminished.

Military sources here yesterday attributed yesterday's lighter Syrian artillery activity to the effective counter-fire by Israeli artillery as well as hits registered by the IAF's planes on Monday. Syrian front-line units are believed to have suffered substantial material and personnel losses. Targets hit are believed to have included ammunition and fuel depots.

Yesterday's exchanges began at 7 a.m. when the Syrians shelled the Mazrat Beit Jann, Harfa and Har Dov areas. Sporadic shelling continued throughout the day, spreading at noon to include the southern parts of the Golan Heights and the Tel Fares areas. Har Dov, part of the Hermon range, also came under repeated mortar fire from the Lebanese side. Israeli army units returned fire in all these exchanges.

During the afternoon, the Syrians directed sporadic artillery fire at the bulges. A katyusha salvo was aimed at the Mt. Hermon area. The fire was returned.

Informed sources here yesterday said that a clear-cut pattern of the extent of Syrian military initiative is now beginning to emerge. The Syrians are restricting most of their artillery barrages to sporadic salvoes — hoping to catch Israeli units by surprise and exposed in the open. Their occasional "escalations" (primarily by increasing the intensity of their bombardment and shelling civilian settlements) are usually of short duration.

The IDF is still said to be "pulling its punches." Experts say the army will continue to exercise restraint, as long as the Kissinger negotiations continue.

In Damascus, the official Syrian Arab News Agency said that Syrian Defence Minister General Mustafa Tlas had visited positions on Mt. Hermon in the past two days, and had stressed that his country would go on fighting until it achieves it objectives.

The Syrian Army released this picture this week and said it showed the remains of a "decoy device" scattered by Israeli planes to divert anti-aircraft missiles. The picture was published in the Beirut magazine "As-Sayyad." It quoted a Syrian officer as saying that the device — a ball made up of thin strips of wire — was intended to draw the heat-seeking Sam missiles.

Syria, Russia: only total withdrawal

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Soviet Union and Syria yesterday reiterated that a military disengagement on the Golan front "should be considered a step towards total Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab territories and towards the *achievement of a just* and overall settlement to the Middle East conflict."

In a joint communique issued in Moscow and Damascus at the end of Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko's three-day visit to Syria yesterday morning, the two sides "particularly emphasized that a just and lasting peace in the area should be based on total Israel withdrawal from all Arab lands occupied since the June 1967 aggression and on guaranteeing the national legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

The communique said that the two sides have debated the question of troop disengagement on the Golan front and that Mr. Gromyko declared the Soviet Union's firm support for the Syrian position in this regard."

Meanwhile, the Arab press yesterday viewed Kissinger's mission as facing an "impasse." Pessimism was even expressed in the Cairo press which had recently reflected President Sadat's confidence that a Golan disengagement was within sight. Sadat last night received a first-hand report on the negotiations from his aide, Ashraf Marwan, who had seen Dr. Kissinger in Nicosia yesterday.

The Cairo weekly "Rose el-Yousef" said that if the Kissinger mission is deadlocked, Syrian President Hafez Assad would summon an Arab summit conference to "decide on the next phase of the Middle East conflict."

Israel recognizes new Portuguese regime

The Israel Government has recognised the new regime in Portugal headed by General Antonio de Spinola, Foreign Ministry sources said yesterday.

Notification was transmitted through the Israeli Consulate in Lisbon.

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AFTER GROMYKO-KISSINGER TALKS

'Russia won't block disengagement'

NICOSIA (UPI). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger met Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko here yesterday and a high American official said he believed the Russians would not block military disengagement between Israel and Syria.

The official said the meeting produced no two-power formula for a settlement. The decisions were in Jerusalem and Damascus, he declared.

Earlier, Kissinger said there was no discussion of a Russian contribution to the disengagement agreement. "We will see over the next few days, but I hope the Soviet Union is as interested as we are in easing tension in the Middle East," he said.

The American official said it still remains to be seen whether Israel will offer to withdraw far enough on the Golan Heights to keep open the negotiations. The official said the three-hour meeting, at Gromyko's request, left Kissinger with the impression that the Russians would not be an obstacle to the negotiations. The official said the U.S. believed the Soviets wanted to demonstrate that they were [illegible] the negotiations, too.

Gromyko flew from Damascus to Cyprus to meet Kissinger. Immediately afterwards, he took off for Moscow.

The U.S. official said Gromyko and Kissinger spent about half of their time on the Middle East and the other half on questions that President Nixon will discuss when he visits Moscow in June, principally the Strategic Arms Limitation agreement.

The American official said that Kissinger's trip was both necessary and useful — necessary to give the Rusians a sense of participation and useful because the U.S. believed the Soviet Union will not now get in the way of disengagement.

He said that Gromyko told Kissinger nothing much new about Syrian thinking — they did not discuss the details of any plan — but they did clarify Soviet attitudes toward an agreement. He added there were now two possibilities for Kissinger's mission the first, which was "very likely," that he would be able to register some progress, and the second that he would get some agreement this week.

"The next 48 hours should tell," he said.

Gromyko's comment on the talks were cryptic when he left the palace of President Archbishop Makarios in Cyprus. He said in answer to questions that the talks were "useful and constructive — I will not go further."

Dr. Kissinger told reporters: "We had a good talk, a useful talk, and we hope that we can make progress on Syrian-Israeli military disengagement."

Schmidt nominated to succeed Brandt

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Helmut Schmidt, West Germany's sharp-tongued Finance Minister, was nominated yesterday by the ruling Social Democratic Party to succeed Chancellor Willy Brandt, who resigned suddenly Monday in the wake of the worst spy scandal in the country's history.

President Gustav Heinemann formally dismissed the cabinet of Brandt. He then asked the cabinet, minus Brandt, to stay on as a caretaker administration under Vice Chancellor and Foreign Minister Walter Scheel, until a new government is formed, probably about the middle of this month.

There was virtually no doubt that Brandt's Social Democratic-Liberal coalition, in office since 1969, would continue in power and elect Schmidt to head the new government.

Schmidt was nominated for the job of Chancellor yesterday by the Social Democratic Presidium, a top party leadership body. The Socialists clearly feel he is the only man strong enough to regain the confidence of West German voters rocked by the arrest two weeks ago of a Communist East German agent in the Chancellery.

Disclosure that master spy Guenter Guillaume was operating for four years practically at the elbow of Chancellor Brandt unleashed a crisis here, which steadily unfolded a picture of bungling and insufficient security leading to Brandt's resignation.

Until Monday Brandt and his aides sought to create the impression that the government had done all it could to prevent the infiltration of Communism agents into the Chancellery. But in his letter of resignation to President Heinemann, Brandt said he was taking political responsibility for "negligence" in handling the case.

Much of the controversy here has centred on whether the original security checks on Guillaume were sufficient. Brandt's admission of "negligence" indicated that either security was too lax or that the Chancellery had disregarded the warnings of its counter-espionage services.

Furthermore, Brandt has been severely criticised for not followin the advice of his security officials and keeping the East German spy on the job for almost a year, during which *Guillaume had virtual unhindered* access to confidential information.

There are strong indications Brandt himself did not take very seriously first "vague suspicions" against Guillaume uncovered in the spring of last year, and that the Chancellor continued to have an unusually close and friendly relationship with him.

In July of last year, Guillaume accompanied Brandt on a vacation in Norway during which the Communist agent handled all of the Chancellor's communications with Bonn. The opposition Conservatives said yesterday that they had reliable information that Guillaume sent copies of everything he could get his hands on to East Berlin.

However, Brandt's resignation also appeared to be a last ditch attempt to rescue his party from a disastrous slump in voter popularity attributed to inflation, dissension between party Marxists and right-wingers, and Brandt's own "weak leadership."

Socialist politicians hope Schmidt, who is placed firmly right of centre, will be able to get a firm grip on the party, instilling it with new vigor and direction and especially clamping down on the radical leftist wing.

Mr. Schmidt visited Israel in June 1966 as guest of the then Mapai. He was then Social Democratic "shadow defence minister." During that visit, Mr. Schmidt reportedly said he had been a member of the Hitler Jugend between the ages of 15 and 17, but was expelled at the age of 17 because "they felt I did not believe in anything."

During the war he served in an anti-aircraft battery. Membership in the Hitler Jugend was said to have been compulsory for schoolchildren.

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Safad	21	17—29	15—25
Haifa Port	49	16—23	14—21
Tiberias	28	14—35	14—32
Nazareth	35	19—29	17—26
Afula	37	10—30	10—27
Shomron	57	21—27	17—24
Tel Aviv	70	17—25	15—21
B-G Airport	57	13—28	11—25
Jericho	31	15—38	15—35
Gaza	83	18—23	15—21
Beersheba	25	14—30	12—27
Eilat	5	22—40	21—37
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Social and Personal

Mayor Yosef Almogi yesterday distributed certificates of merit to volunteers active in the Haifa Emergency Committee on Economic Affairs, among them municipality staff, executives of business and institutions and retired persons.

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The Journalists Association were hosts to a group of British journalists at a supper colloquium at Jerusalem's Beit Agron on Monday. The chairman of the Association, Dan Patir, welcomed the guests, and John Dickey, diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Mail," responded.

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Dr. Alexander Rafaeli is to speak on Industrial Policy Today, at the regular luncheon meeting of Jerusalem Rotary at the YMCA at 1 o'clock today.

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Rotarians R. Bates and M. Hakim will speak on their work, in English and Hebrew at today's meeting of the Haifa Rotary, Dan Carmel Hotel, 1 o'clock.

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Carl McIntire, president of the International Council of Churches, who is currently in Israel leading a group of 175 pilgrims, is to address a meeting of Christian leaders at 8 o'clock this evening at the International Alliance Church, 55 Rehov Hanevi'im, Jerusalem.

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Technion President Amos Horev is to address the Haifa Engineers Club at 8 o'clock this evening.

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This week's Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper will be held Friday evening at 8.45 in Beit Ha'am. Raoul Teitelbaum of "Tediot Aharonot," David Agmon of the Israel Broadcasting Authority, Yitzhak Deutsch of "Hatzofe" will be on the panel.

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BIRTH

HOOFIEN — To Orna (nee Yaar) and Danny, a daughter, Ronny, sister to Nimrod.

ARRIVALS

The Chief of Staff of the Ecuadoran Army, Gen. Mario Lopez Serano, and his wife, for a three-day visit, as guests of the Israel Defence Forces (by Air France).

Prof. Heinrich Koch, of Montreal, a doctor who saved Jews from the Nazis in Czechoslovakia during World War II, and Mrs. Koch, to attend a ceremony honouring them at Yad Vashem.

DEPARTURES

Ted R. Lurie, Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* to Kyoto, Japan, to attend the 23rd General Assembly of the International Press Institute in his capacity as Chairman of the Israel Branch of the IPI and member of the IPI Executive.

Shazar worse

The condition of former President Zalman Shazar, who is at Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital, was yesterday described as "serious." Hospital authorities said that he had suffered a general setback, including a deterioration in the condition of the heart.

Shazar, 84, was taken to hospital last Thursday with internal bleeding.

Prime Minister Golda Meir visited him on Monday afternoon.

IN THE KNESSET

Massacre of Syrian Jews to be discussed today

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Reports that a mass grave had been discovered in Syria, containing the bodies of Jews who had been murdered while trying to leave the country, will be discussed by the Knesset today as urgent business.

The reports, which appeared first in the Paris paper "Le Figaro," were raised by the Alignment's Haviv Shimoni and Gahal's Menahem Yedid.

The Presidium, which recognized their two motions as urgent, refused to accept as urgent another motion which would have aired statements allegedly made by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in a letter to a Haifa resident that the condition of Syria's Jewish community was an internal affair of that country.

The Presidium agreed to grant urgency to two motions about the need to promote amity between Jews and Druse — and to three motions about the strike in the Abu Rodeis oil fields.

Agranat contempt being studied

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Justice Minister Haim Zadok said yesterday that the Attorney-General was considering whether to take legal measures against persons who made and published statements which might be in contempt of the Agranat war blunders inquiry commission.

Replying in the Knesset to a question by Yedidia Beeri (Likud-Liberal) the Justice Minister said that, with all due respect for the right of free speech, the individual had to curb his oral and written expression regarding ongoing judicial processes, including commissions of inquiry.

Mapai group wants concessions to NRP, opposes Aloni team

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Mapai wing of the Alignment is willing to go half-way to meet the National Religious Party over the "Who's a Jew" formula, in order to get the NRP into the coalition at all costs, thus ensuring Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin's prospects as Prime Minister, and the prompt exclusion of Moshe Dayan from the Cabinet.

Repotrs circulating in the Knesset to this effect were strengthened yesterday, by the embarrassment of Labour Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin, who dodged The Jerusalem Post's queries.

Asked who the Alignment would be negotiating with over the next few days, through a new six-man body set up yesterday for negotiating purposes, in view of the fact that the NRP had already turned the Alignment down, Yadlin just said: "We'll be negotiating with whoever we are supposed to."

The Post learned later that the sixman Alignment body would be negotiating with the NRP and the ILP, but not with the CRM — Shulamit Aloni's Citizens Rights Movement. Although Mapam favours the idea of teaming up with CRM, Rafi and Mapai are absolutely opposed. They have reservations about Mrs. Aloni, both personally and politically, and they fear that her joining a Cabinet would keep the NRP from returning, in some future constellation.

The Mapai wing of the Alignment would apparently prefer a 58-man minority government of the Alignment and ILP, which the NRP could re-join at some future date, to a 61-man majority government of the Alignment-plus-IL-CRM, which would give it a dovish and anti-religious image, harassed by a volatile personality like Mrs. Aloni, whom some Labourites consider an enfant terrible.

Yadlin's embarassed bid to avoid press questions seems guided by his intention of making ome new "Who's a Jew" formula into a fait accompli.

The joint-session of the Alignment faticon plus Leadership bureau, due to be held tonight in Tel Aviv, has been postponed till tomorrow night, to allow for more behind-closed-doors conversations with the NRP leadership.

The Alignment negotiators were attemtping to arrange a meeting with NRP leaders late last night. They met with ILP leaders to try and suggest possible solutions to the "Who's a Jew" impasse but no details were forthcoming.

Yadlin had a short meeting with Shulamit Aloni in the Knesset. He explained that he wanted to keep CRM in the picture but had not invited her to join the next coalition.

Golan border adjustments

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tening it. If Begin wished to criticise the disengagement process, he should limit his reproaches to the Government and leave Dr. Kissinger out, the Deputy Premier said.

Mr. Allon was interrupted by sporadic heckling from the Likud benches.

"Why does the Alignment faction hear details about disengagement which are withheld from the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee?" shouted Menahem Yedid.

"Has the Government changed its policy? Is it giving Dr. Kissinger a new map, different from the one which Dayan took to Washington?" shouted Benzion Keshet.

"Why does the Government say nothing about the Druse villages on the Golan?" shouted Amnon Linn.

Presenting his motion, Mr. Begin said that Dr. Henry Kissinger's phrase about the condition of the Syrian Jewish community being an internal affair, was used by the Nazi regime when he was a child in Germany.

The Likud leader said that whether Russia or Syria was involved, the freedom of Jews was a matter of universal interest. That was the lesson of the Holocaust.

Dr. Kissinger's policy imperilled the Jewish State, he said. The Secretary of State said peace agreements were unnecessary — and Israel could manage with interim arrangements.

"Why do we not have the right to insist on peace after seven consecutive wars — and not interim arrangements, which are merely Dr. Kissinger's proposals for withdrawal?"

Begin charged that Dr. Kissinger intended to fly to Damascus today with a map approved by the Government which entailed withdrawals from the pre-October line, which differed from the map taken to Washington last month by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan.

"He threatened you! That's the truth! Now that you've changed your stand, who will ever take you seriously in future?" Begin asked bitterly. "You talk of peace but the only prospect ahead is a few months' armistice."

Begin said that Dr. Kissinger would try the same tactic in a few months time, now it had proved successful.

The Likud favoured friendship with Washington just as much as the Alignment — but where was the end? "Dr. Kissinger is always hinting about the implications," he said. "His next demand is a withdrawal from Abu Rodeis. But I believe Israel-U.S. relations will not be spoiled in the slightest, if we say we cannot give in, because our very security is at stake."

The Likud leader said that Israel's number one enemy was "illusion." But the one illusion it must shatter, was that Sadat and Assad had given up their aim of destroying the Jewish State.

The American people would not abandon Israel. Jews and non-Jews alike would rally to its aid, if Israel demanded that the pressures and the threats stop. There was no cause to feel apprehensive about the results of holding fast and refusing to budge.

"Don't give Dr. Kissinger your new map showing withdrawals from the purple line! You cannot do it, constitutionally. The Knesset must debate the matter first, because the future of our State is at stake," he pleaded.

New Communist Meir Wilner said that the Government was playing for time, dreaming of annexation, and unwilling to face the fact realistically that it would have to relinquish all the territories conquered in the Six Day War.

Wilner said that Israel could not hope to dominate Arab nationalism in the West Bank and Gaza at a time when the last empire in the world — the Portugese empire — was crumbling.

"What about the Soviet Empire?" somebody interjected.

"And what about the Arab Empire?" added somebody else.

Wilner said the Cyprus meeting between Kissinger and Gromyko could put an end to bloodshed and bring peace — but Kissinger's stratagem's were sabotaging this.

He charged that Dr. Kissinger wanted to perpetuate the "no-peace-no-war" situation in the Middle East, for reasons of anti-Communist ideology.

He charged that Kissinger's present actions were intended to try and wring more concessions from the Arabs, on behalf of the Golan settlers, whose very presence there was "political provocation."

(Wilner's sharp criticism of U.S. policy seemed to reflect the New Communist Party's reading of a confrontation between the superpowers over the Israel-Syria disengagement deadlock, and the failure to restore a ceasefire on the Golan. Wilner's reproaches against Kissinger seemed to be a characteristic Communist reversal of what Wilner imagined were the American reproaches against the Soviet Union.)

Mr. Allon said that Wilner's charges against the governments of Israel and the U.S. were "crude calumnies." The U.S. Government was doing its best to promote peace and understanding in the Middle East, while other governments were doing the opposite.

Allon said that perhaps Wilner was not quite up-to-date in his information about Dr. Kissinger's role in securing detente between the superpowers. His charges were baseless, and his motion should be struck off the agenda as unworthy of parliamentary consideration.

The House, which was relatively quiet during the New Communist speech, broke into uproar when Meir Pail (Moked) asked for Mr. Begin's motion to be struck off the agenda—rather than moved to Committee', as the Deputy Premier suggested. Pa'il's motion only got four votes against 76 with 15 abstentions, however.

School children from Kiryat Arba yesterday joined, for one day, the professors and writers who are conducting a hunger strike outside the Prime Minister's residence in Jerusalem to dramatize their opposition to any withdrawal beyond the purple line on the Golan Heights. (Israel Sa

Scholars fast for Golan

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A dozen hungry but determined intellectuals last night completed two days of fasting outside Prime Minister Golda Meir's residence.

The group — poets, authors, university professors and scholars — are demonstrating against a possible Government yielding of Golan territory in a separation-of-forces agreement with Syria. A physician who examined them said they may continue their hunger strike.

More than a thousand persons, ordinary citizens and public figures, visited the protest site during the day to express their concurrence and sign the petition that was being circulated. The visitors included poet Uri Zvi Greenberg; Rahel Yanait Ben-Zvi, widow of the second President; author Dov Sedan; and David Koren, MK (Alignment).

The leader of the hunger strikers, author Moshe Shamir, appeared weary and spoke in a low tone. He told *The Jerusalem Post* "We are heartened by the support we have received so far. Busloads of concerned Israelis came all day to tell us in their own words how important our struggle is. There was a group from Weizmann Institute, then came a group of women and children from Kiryat Arba and the Etzion Bloc. The children were especially vocal, and voiced the solidarity with the children in the Golan settlements."

A small group of yeshiva students opposed to surrender of Golan were also on hand throughout the day, and sat at a table nearby studying the Talmud.

Late last night a crowd of about 150 people were still milling around the strikers, at the corner of Sderot Ben-Maimon and Rehov Ussishkin. Clusters of sympathizers lined up to sign the petition on the small lantern-illuminated table. At the kerbside, two dozen boys and girls sat on the police barricades and sang Jabotinsky's "We have returned to thee, Queen of the Hermon."

MOVES TO OFFSET WAR DISLOCATIONS

Reform in matriculation exams

By ERNIE MAYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some of the adjustments in the *bagrut* (matriculation) examination system — made necessary by the Yom Kippur War — may become permanent, and could lead to its replacement by internal school examinations, Yosef Yonai, director of the Education Ministry's Pedagogic Secretariat, said yesterday.

He told newsmen in Jerusalem that the question of the quantity of material studied in preparation for the *bagrut*, versus the quality of understanding, has been discussed for some years. This year's examinations will take into account that students in some schools covered less material because teachers were called up for long periods. In spite of this, the Ministry feels that the level of the 1974 examinations will not be lower than that of previous years.

Mr. Yonai listed the various steps the Ministry has taken to offset dislocations caused by the war. Special councils staffed by supervisers and principals have been set up in each of the six educational districts of the country. Individual schools may apply to these councils and ask them to make specific adjustments in examination questions tailored to their particular needs.

Thus, if a school's mathematics teacher was called up for a long time and his place was not filled by an adequate substitute, the school may ask the council for consideration of this fact. The council together with the school may then work out changes in the examination papers for this particular school.

This year's *bagrut* will offer students a greater choice of questions to answer, so that even if they have covered less material during the year, they may achieve good marks, by showing that they have understood those parts of the curriculum which were covered.

Mr. Yonai said schools were informed two months early about exam subjects so they could prepare students better. In an effort to spread the examinations over a longer period — giving students more time to prepare — the Hebrew language exams were held early, this year, shortly before Pessah.

In general, a rule was adopted to examine students only on material they actually studied in class, without relying on home assignments. The internal, preparatory examinations held by schools were abolished this year, except for the test in citizenship.

The bagrut exams will end about two weeks earlier than usual this year, to give graduates — and especially those about to enter the army — a longer vacation.

About 62,000 students from some 600 schools will sit for the *bagrut* exams this year. The schools include 310 regular and 234 vocational high schools.

10 terrorists, brought from Lebanon, jailed

LYDDA. — Ten terrorists who were captured during an Israel raid inside Lebanon in September, 1972, were yesterday sentenced to six years imprisonment each by the military tribunal here.

The prisoners, aged 22 to 28, were convinced of membership in an illegal organization, training in the use of weapons and bearing firearms.

The court-appointed defence attorneys — Felicia Langer, Ali Rafat and Aharon Barkai — had argued that the Israel tribunal was not competent to try the accused who had committed their offences outside Israel and had been brought here against their will. The court rejected this argument.

Another defence point was that the accused had not actually managed to harm the State or its citizens.

Prosecutor Dan Ben-Ner called for stiff penalties that would act to deter other terrorists "preparing to strike at Israel and its citizens throughout the world."

After pronouncing sentence, the president of the court said the judges had taken into account the fact that the accused had no carried out any operations inside Israel territory.

Nazarene jailed for espionage

NAZARETH. — A former Nazareth man, who left the country illegally 14 years ago and was arrested last year when he returned as a summer visitor, was yesterday sentenced to four years' imprisonment for giving security information to the Jordanian and Syrian intelligence service.

Mohammed Ali Kamal Mansour, 35, had crossed the border between Eilat and Akaba in 1960. Interrogated by Jordanian intelligence, he gave them information concerning the loction of minefields, army bases, and troop, ship and plane movements.

Mansour lived in Jordan for about two years, teaching Hebrew. Later he moved to Saudi Arabia where he worked as a translator. In 1965 he returned to Jordan and later moved on to Damascus where he eventually went to work for Syrian intelligence, to whom he gave information "liable to harm (Israel) state security," the prosecution said. *(Itim.)*

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Group formed to consolidate Likud

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A non-party group of ex-soldiers and university professors and other professionals has been launched to reinforce the unity of the Likud group of parties and make it into a more democratic party. The group's aim is to make the Likud into a liberal national alternative to the Alignment regime."

The main driving force behind the Movement for Change and Reform of the Likud comes from Haifa. Its leaders are non-political — former O.C. Navy, Aluf (res.) Shlomo Erell, and Professors Arnon Dar and Michael Poreh. (Their address is P.O.B. 457, Haifa).

Mr. Erell told this reporter that he has already spoken with Likud Chairman Menahem Begin about his movement's aim's. Two days ago they had a thorough discussion with Ariel Sharon, MK, when he visited the Technion, and found common ground with his call for an immediate merger of the Likud constituents. Erell disclosed that a delegation from his group will hold an official meeting with the Likud executive here tomorrow.

The movement embraces supporters of the Likud who do not belong to any of its component divisions. They want to open up the Likud to new people and new ideas. They also speak of "fashioning the Likud into an expression of popular protest and demand for reforms." Another demand is for the Likud to form a 'shadow cabinet'.

This is the third coalescence of the post-war protest groups for political action — "Temura" (Replacement) came as a non-party ginger group, but "Shinui" (Change), headed by Prof. Amnon Rubinstein, has a clear dovish slant, and he has already joined forces on an anti-religious platform with Mrs. Shulamit Aloni's Civil Rights Movement and groups inside the Independent Liberal Party.

Beduin watchman killed by tractor

BEERSHEBA. — A Beduin night watchman, Sallam Hasion el-Omri of the Abu Zinat tribe, was killed on Sunday when he was run over by a tractor while sleeping in the Makhtesh Hakatan near Sdom. The driver said he had not noticed the man; he was detained.

In another accident, a 70-year-old pedestrian, Moshe Muallem, was run over by a pickup truck while crossing Rehov Modi'in in Ramat Gan on Monday night. He was taken to Tel Hashomer hospital, where he died of his injuries. *(Itim)*

15 Alignment abstentions

By MALKA RABINOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

In an unexpected show of independence, 15 dovish members of the Labour-Alignment yesterday abstained on a proposal moved by Meir Pa'il (Moked-New Communists) to strike the Likud motion on the Golan from the Knesset agenda.

Labour as a whole voted against Pa'il's proposal and it was defeated by 76 to four: The abstention were cast by Mapam members and some Labour members of the Ahdut and Mapai wings. One Mapam member, Elieter Ronen, actually voted together with Pa'il and two Rakah members for the motion.

Likud's motion was in the end passed to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, as the Government requested. The 58 votes for this move came from Labour supported by Shulamit Aloni's CRM. There were seven abstentions, from Aguda and the NRP. Likud's motion for an open debate in the plenum received only its own 35 votes.

The motion, presented by Menahem Begin, called for a debate in the House on "reports concerning plans for withdrawal from the purple line on the Golan Heights."

Echoes of a stormy meeting earlier in the day of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee came when Arial Sharon (Likud) shouted in the House: "You told us nothing in committee of any substance — only 'principles'."

Sharon had reportedly stalked out of the committee meeting on the grounds that Foreign Minister Abba Eban declined to give the committee details on proposed changes in the Golan lines.

Among those Labour ranks who abstained on Pa'il's proposal were Esther Herlitz, Yosef Sarid, Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Lova Eliav and Aviad Yoffe.

Playing down their action, coalition whip Moshe Baram told *The Jerusalem Post* that the abstentions were not a violation of coalition discipline. "The idea that Pa'il might propose such a motion never occurred to us, so there were no instructions one way or the other on how to vote."

Dulzin: Will step down if Sapir wants Agency post

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The Acting Chairman of the Jewish Agency, Arye Dulzin, said here yesterday that he would not vie with Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir for the chairmanship of the Agency.

Dulzin was speaking to reporters on his arrival from a three-day visit to London, where he presided over a conference of Jewish leaders on Soviet Jewry.

He said: "Before I left for abroad, Sapir asked me what my position would be if he presented his candidacy for the chairmanship of the Jewish Agency Executive, instead of the already suggested candidacy of Avraham Harman (President of the Hebrew University).

"My answer was," Dulzin continued, "that if Sapir decided to stand for the post, I would withdraw my candidacy, but that if Avraham Harman contested the post, I would stay in the running."

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Minimum wage raised to IL625

Prices to rise 30% in '74

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Manufacturers Association and the Histadrut yesterday agreed on raising the monthly minimum wage in industry from IL425 to IL625, and the daily wage from about IL19 to IL25. Trade Union Department chairman Uriel Abrahamovitz annotinced the news at a plenary session of the Labour Council last night.

Speaking on this year's wage policy, the only item on the agenda, Abrahamovitz said it was "a compromise between several concepts in a year marked by a rapid rise of prices in which the earners of fixed incomes are the main sufferers." It was evident that these incomes could not keep pace with the rise in the level of prices, which is estimated at 30 per cent this year.

The Histadrut had four aims in mind in its wage policy this year: to maintain full employment; keep up the standard of living of the wage earners and real incomes; increase labour productivity, and make workers partners in company profits. He said he was surprised by the resistance of the manufacturers to profit-sharing, a trend that, he said, was already embedded in law in Western countries.

Speaking on the Histadrut's negotiations with the Treasury, the Trade Union Department chairman said that agreement had been reached on what he called "a balanced policy" of maintainig taxes and the prices of essential commodities at their present level. The Histadrut had been warned that unless it restrained pressure for higher wages beyond the agreed policy, prices of essential commodities might rise further in accordance with the higher costs on the world market. On the other hand, the Finance Ministry will not impose higher taxes this year.

Abu Rodeis deadlock, strike in 8th day

No back-to-work order

By ZEEV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Abu Rodeis oil workers' strike went into its seventh day yesterday, and negtiations remained deadlocked. The Netivei Neft management said it was not aware of any "back-to-work" orders served on the 500 strikers, and the company doubted if such orders would be effective anyway.

"You can make them go back to the job, but you can't make them work, unless they really want to," Meir Giron, Netivei Neft Managing Director told The Jerusalem Post *yesterday.*

"If I had my way, I'd issue orders keeping them away, permanently," he said, adding that this was probably the first wildcat strike in Socialist history to be launched on May 1st — Labour Day.

On Sunday, the Cabinet empowered the Finance Minister to gazette emergency regulations—if he should find it necessary—to keep Abu Rodeis running.

The dispute broke out after workers, disturbed by reports that the oilfield would be returned to the Egyptians in the near future, demanded a severance pay agreement to cover this eventuality. The workers based their claims on an overtime-pay basis, arguing that their "normal" work day consisted, on an average, of two consecutive shifts.

These demands came to 75 per cent above the ceiling fixed by a Histadrut-convened arbitration panel.

Mr. Giron said the average gross pay — before taxes, but not counting food and accommodation at Abu Rodeis, as well as free transport to their permanent homes every 10 days — amounted to an average of IL3,000 per month.

"Most of the workers do not spend more than an average of 18 days out of every month at the field, and earnings as high as IL5,000 are not uncommon," he claimed.

Giron said the only solution he could see to end the strike was for the workers committee to "come back to its senses." There was nothing more Netivei Neft could do to solve the dispute.

Anarchists join 'free Beate' call

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The "Anarchist Movement in Israel" yesterday held two demonstrations in front of the West German Embassy here to demand the release of Nazi-hunter Beate Klarsfeld, who is in a German prison.

The group of young anarchists carried signs decrying Mrs. Klarsfeld's imprisonment and demanding the imprisonment of all fascists, including those in Israel. They stressed that thei demonstration was also being held in memory of the 41 million victims of international fascism during World War Two, and against "racism and nationalism, the bases of fascism."

Earlier, a delegation from the conference of the Working Women's Organization called on German Ambassador Jesco Von Puttkamer, pleading for the beates immediate release promised to foreward their complaint to the Chairman of the Reichstac.

The Histadrut Teachers Union yesterday sent cables to German teachers organizations asking that they join demands for Mrs. Klarsfeld is release.

Security for T.A. schools but shelters inadequate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Police and Civil Defence men will include local schools in their regular patrol rounds. The Municipal Education Department and the security authorities decided on this as part of a plan to increase security in public places.

The patrols, however, will not solve all of the school security problems, and senior class pupils in the various schools will still be requested to keep watch at school entrances and report trepassers. In some school, parents have volunteered to take turn watching the gates.

The Municipality will also fix all school fences in need of repair.

Another problem which is worrying city fathers is the state of air-raid shelters at the schools. Mayor Shlomo Lahat made this one of his chief election campaign issues, following the Yom Kippur War.

In a recently completed survey, the Education Department confirmed that the shelter situation is terrible, as Lahat charged last winter. There are adequate shelters in only 46 out of the 152 schools. At 60 other schools, there are makeshift shelters in the school basements, and these are also inadequate.

Shelters are currently under construction in five schools, and contractors have already been awarded tenders for the construction of eight more. Shelters for six other schools are now being planned.

The City has now decided to put up 16 additional shelters for schools near the centre. It plans to ask the Education Ministry to increase its contribution to shelter construction costs.

City engineers informed the Municipality they can see no way of putting up shelters in another 16 schools. The school grounds are not large enough to accommodate new structures, and the area around them is all built up.

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Cairo demands UK clarify remarks by envoy in Haifa

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Egypt yesterday asked Britain for "clarification" of a statement made on Sunday by the British Ambassador to Israel, William Ledwidge, that his government interprets U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 as calling for only a partial Israel withdrawal from the administered areas.

Ambassador Ledwidge, addressing the Haifa branch of the Israel-British Commonwealth Association, also said his government held that the precise limits of an Israel withdrawal was a matter to be determined by negotiations among the concerned parties.

Cairo radio said Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy yesterday summoned the British Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Philip Adams, for clarification of Mr. Ledwidge's statement. The radio said Fahmy asked whether Mr. Ledwidge's remark represented a "diversion" in Britain's Middle East policy.

Health hazard at Haifa hospital

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Council here warned the Rambam Government Hospital yesterday against its inaction and long-standing indifference to the plight of 15 workers in the hospital laundry. The workers complain that because of dust in the laundry, they are suffering from respiration trouble, fainting and vomiting.

A safety committee ruling in May last year proposed the installation of exhausts as the only remedy for the basement room. Despite recurrent complaints by the workers and the recommendation of the Labour Ministry inspector, the management failed to provide any relief, the Labour Council spokesman said yesterday.

The council did not approve a strike of the laundry personnel, but Council secretary Eliezer Molk is to appeal to the Health Minister on the issue.

Women workers urged to take active stand

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Working Women's Council yesterday ended its three-day convention, electing a new secretariat. The new secretary general, to replace Beba Idelson, will be chosen in the near future. Two names have been put forward for the post — Tamar Eshel and Rina Mothan.

The 600,000-member group, constituting half of the total Histadrut membership, was urged to show more involvement in political life, more initiative in social legislation, and to make a bigger effort on behalf of women's rights in the economy and in society.

A PERMANENT foundation named in memory of Rachel and Hyman Harris of Philadelphia, has been established at Oranim, the School of Education of the Kibbutz Movement, affiliated to the University of Haifa.

Punch-clock fraud starts Port row

By YAAOOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A strike by warehousemen, joined by maintenance workers, peralysed the Port for a few hours yesterday. The strike was called to protest against a police investigation of three warehousemen, who allegedly committed fraud in punching their time-cards, according to the management.

The strike ended after Labour Council secretary Eliezer Molk called on the committees to get the men back to work.

The port spokesman said management had discovered irregularities some time ago in time-card punching. He charged that several men punched their cards, but not on their jobs, and in other cases, men were caught punching the cards for other workers. Management had warned the warehousemen several times—in writing—that this was a grave matter, which violated both the labour agreements and work morality, and amounted to a criminal offence.

Nevertheless, a fortnight ago, a senior employee in the stores department was allegedly caught punching the cards of 12 men, and management then decided to call the police. Yesterday, the police began investigating the complaint, and three men were asked to come to the police station for interrogation.

The warehousemen said they objected to the police being called, as they believe the matter should first have been investigated by a disciplinary committee.

At a general meeting shortly after noon, the warehousemen decided not to punch the time cards, but to sign in and out from their jobs. The Port spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* that this would be unacceptable, and that men who did not punch their cards would not be paid.

Molk, Port manager Yitzhak Rahav, and the Port workers and employees committees are to meet today in an effort to resolve the dispute.

At a meeting with the committees yesterday, Molk warned that the deterioration in Port labour relations must be stemmed.

Unions oppose Assis closure

RAMAT GAN. — Mayor Yisrael Peled's threat to close down the Assis cannery here on May 15 if the company does not take immediate steps to curb noise and pollution emanating from the plant has met with opposition of local labour leaders.

The Ramat Gan/Givatayim Labour Council yesterday resolved to fight any step that might result in the dismissal of Assis' 1,000 permament and temporary workers. Council secretary Baruch Cohen told "Ttim" the Council was aware that the plant constituted an ecological nuisance at present, but that it was sure the situation could be remedied without drastic measures.

According to the municipality, the plant is too noisy, gives off a large amount of soot and smoke, and its wastes are endangering the entire municipal sewage system.

70 OF THE 180 sailors and stewards who lost their jobs when the passenger ships Dan and Nili were taken out of service in January, are to be employed on other Zim vessels. The others will be pensioned off or get increased severance pay, according to a committee set up to deal with the men's case.

Strike call at Wire & Cable

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The 700 workers at the Electric Wire and Cable Company here will go on strike at 11 this morning, unless General Manager Ruben Hirshson and the works committee come to terms on their latest dispute. Hirshson recently ordered the sacking of 24 maintenance men, who went on an unofficial partial strike during a labour dispute.

He finally reinstated 21 of the men, but insisted on the dismissal of three of them, who he said used violence against him. He rejected a Labour Council proposal to submit the case to an arbitrator of his choice, from a list provided under the national agreement between the Manufacturers Association's section of the metal industry and the Histadrut.

An attempt to settle the dispute by the Government's Labour Relations officer, Nahman Uri, yesterday also failed.

On Sunday, a 91 per cent majority of the plant's 245 permanent workers voted in favour of a strike. The company has for years been plagued by recurrent labour disputes, including strikes, and the relations between management and workers are said to be the worst in the Haifa area.

ILP moshavnikim confer tonight

ASHKELON. — The sixth national convention of the ILP-affiliated Moshav movement opens tonight at Moshav Timurim, near here. The most activist wing of the usually dovish Independent Liberal Party, the 130 delegates from 23 moshavim stretching from Neve-Atib on the Hermon to Di-Zahav near Sharm e-Sheikh, will call for further settlements in the administered territories.

Policeman jailed for traffic death

TEL AVIV. — A police investigator was yesterday sentenced to three months' imprisonment for causing death through negligent driving.

The prosecution said that Michael Ben-Avner, 28, was driving his motor scooter with his little girl riding pillion and his young son standing in front of him — which in itself is illegal. Furthermore, it charged, he was driving carelessly when he hit a 70-year-old woman, who died from her injuries.

Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court Judge Yosef Megory-Cohen sentenced him to three months in prison, with a further nine months suspended, and revoked his driving licence for three years.

The prosecutor had recommended a light sentence in view of the defendant's efficient police work, and that he be allowed special work privileges in prison.

TA rush-hour parking ban in Ibn Gvirol

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — No parking will be permitted on the western side of Rehov Ibn Gvirol between 6.00 and 9.00 a.m., starting on Sunday. The restriction is part of the new municipal administration's programme for a speedier flow of traffic during rush hours.

The City has prepared three lots for alternative parking in the area, which together provide space for 1,000 cars. Parking will be free of charge. The lots are at the corner of Sderot Shaul Hamelech and Rehov Leonardo Da Vinci, near Aglosorov and in Rehov Ben Saruk.

Deputy Mayor David Shifman, who is in charge of transport, says that even though citizens are used to parking right in front of the house, Tel Avivians will have to park a bit further away, in order to help traffic flow during rush hours.

Held for robbing banks, drug pushing

TEL AVIV.—A man who allegedly robbed a number of banks in the Tel Aviv and Ramat Hasharon areas in the past months to finance large-scale illegal drug transactions—was remanded here yesterday for seven days.

The man, 28-year-old Sabah Cohen, was one of the ringleaders of a narcotics gang, Inspector Yigal Ankory, told the magistrate. He said police were holding in protective custody an accomplice who had agreed to turn State's witness.

Better transport for K. Shmona

The Transport Ministry is to improve road safety and transport in Kiryat Shmona. The improvements will include night lighting, especially along the main road, up to three kms. outside the town.

This was decided yesterday by the Transport Ministry's director general, Dan Hiram, following a tour of the town and a meeting with Local Council Chairman Avraham Aloni, a Ministry spokesman said.

The tour by chief Transport Ministry officials followed Transport Minister Aharon Yariv's meeting in Jerusalem with a delegation of Kiryat Shmona residents.

It was also decided to set up motor vehicle licensing bureaux in the town itself, so that residents would not have to go to Tiberias to register their cars and take drivering tests as they have had to do until now.

Mr. Hiram also promised Mr. Aloni to try to improve public transport within Kiryat Shmona at night, and to try to set up direct transport between that town and Nazareth, where most of the regional government offices are located.

Upper Nazareth lead in absorbing *olim*

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Upper Nazareth led the country in immigrant absorption last year. Labour Council Secretary Menahem Ariav said the town had absorbed 1,739 newcomers. Over 80 per cent are immigrants from Russia.

In 1973, the town's population grew by 15 per cent to over 16,000. The pace of growth has continued this year, and another 150 immigrant families have settled here since January.

Canal clear for small ships soon

Jerusalem Post Military Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Suez Canal is being cleared rapidly, with the first 10 kilometres already free and navigable to shallow-draught vessels it is learned here. It is estimated that it will be completely open to small vessels in three weeks.

Ocean-going ships trapped in the Canal during the Six Day War will remain immobilized, however, for at least a few more months. The extra time is necessary for dredging the Canal and clearing it of all obstacles still blocking deep-draught vessels.

Rotarians to discuss peace on Quiet Beach

TIBERIAS. — The country's Rotary clubs will hold their 14th district conference at the Quiet Beach here on Thursday and Friday, with "Peace in the Middle East" as the main subject on the agenda.

One of the speakers at the conference will be President Ephraim Katzir.

On Friday morning, a symposium will be held at Kibbutz Ma'agan on the relations between Israel and the Arab states, with Uri Thon, Adviser on Arab Affairs to the Deputy Prime Minister, as moderator. Among the participants will be Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner and the Rev. Dr. Douglas Young.

A PASTOR TO REMEMBER

The Rev. William Gardiner Scott is well known in Jerusalem — but I had never met him. He has lived here for most of the last 20 years, and became during that time an outstanding advocate of Israel's cause.

His articles and letters to the press explain things we cannot always make other people comprehend. With the authority of a Christian pastor, he defends the Israel Government's position on throughly controversial subjects. Not only do his writings give food for thought to foreign readers — they warm Jewish hearts as well.

A recent interview in *The Jerusalem Post* with Gardiner Scott mentioned that he had been an Army chaplain in Cairo during World War Two. Suddenly a memory blazed in my mind. A young *padre* in uniform, with a Scottish accent, named (as I recall) Scott, who visited our ward in the military hospital at regular intervals, talked to us briskly, got rid of the languid sick-room atmosphere. Could it be the same man?

We were the Orthpoedic Ward. One patient was the Hon. Richard Wood, son of the late Lord Halifax. (After recovery, he became Minister of Power in the Tory Government.) He had lost both legs, all the way up to the thigh. Capt. Scott once took us for lunch to the Scottish soldiers' club — me on crutches, another young ginger-headed officer with one leg, Dick Wood, dragging himself from the care to the table. Could that Capt. Scott be the Rev. Gardiner Scott, still lavishing help — this time to the people of Israel?

I phoned him. "Were you the padre who visited the 63rd General Hospital at Helmieh in 1942-43?" It most certainly was. He remembered my mass of dark hair (alas, now thinned). He told me he had attended Dick Wood's wedding in Westminster Abbey. He thinks he still has a photo of me, from those days in Egypt.

Bill Scott, the Scottish priest who made his way from Cairo (via New Zealand) to Jerusalem, received the OBE yesterday from the British Consul-General in Jerusalem, Edward E. Key. The award was made for upholding the good name of his country during a lifetime of service abroad. *Yeyasher kochacha*, Bill!

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New strike threatens British industry

'Could have a disastrous effect pretty quickly'

LONDON (Reuter). — Britain's 1,200,000 engineering workers voted yesterday for an immediate national strike, threatening key export industries and confronting the minority Labour Government with a major challenge.

Employment Minister Michael Foot swiftly called for crisis talks with Hugh Scanlon, the Engineering Union leader.

It was Mr. Scanlon's casting vote that brought yesterday's 4-3 strike verdict by the union executive.

The action reflects union rage over the seizure by a National industrial court of some £300,000 of the union's financial assets. The court ordered the seizure after the union's refusal to pay £47,000 damages to an engineering firm near London.

If the enginering rank and file solidly supports the stoppage — first national engineering strike since 1957 — it could halt two main export earners, cars and general engineering, just as British industry is recovering from a three-day work week forced on it by the coalminers' strike.

It also threatens production of national newspapers and affect supplies of electricity, gas, water, oil and all forms of transport.

"The strike could have a disastrous effect pretty quickly," one engineefring union official said.

Engineering accounts for 42 per cent of Britain's exports.

An all-out strike would be a serious embarrassement for the Labour Government, which has called on the unions for a year of industrial peace.

Prime Minister Harold Wilson said in the House of Commons that the threatened stoppage was an extremely serious consequence of the actions of the Industrial Court, set up by the former Conservative Government. That government's legislation was now putrefying, Mr. Wilson said.

Labour is repealing Conservative industrial relations laws and bringing in new legislation of its own, but the Industrial Court remains in life until July.

Mr. Foot said nobody would be better pleased than he if he could find a constitutional way of wringing the court's neck before it caused disaster.

He said the union had been sorely provoked by the seizure of much of its funds.

Marxists march through a Calcutta street during a general strike they called in the city yesterday to protest against high prices and unemployment. (AP radiophoto)

Rail strike poses grim prospects for India

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — India yesterday faced the grim prospect of a prolonged national railway strike beginning today despite a last-minute government offer to resume wage negotiations. The offer has so far failed to elicit a response from the rail unions, and the chances of a dramatic settlement appear bleak.

The only hope of a settlement rested with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, who was reported planning a nationwide broadcast late yesterday. Mrs. Gandhi did not act on two appeals from jailed railway union leader George Fernandez for her personal intervention to get wage negotiations reopened.

The government offer to resume negotiations was contingent on the rail unions' calling off the strike.

Meanwhile, parts of Old Delhi, the scene of violent clashes between Hindus and Moslems last Sunday, was reported quiet yesterday. The curfew in the area was lifted for three hours in the morning to allow people to do essential shopping and to go to work.

GUNMEN KILL FOUR IN ULSTER ATTACKS

BELFAST. — Gunmen spraying bullets from machine-guns killed four persons in Northern Ireland yesterday in an escalation of the provinces's chronic violence.

Two gunmen invaded a construction site in north Belfast and mowed down seven workmen in a hail of gunfire, police said. Two men were killed and five seriously wounded.

The incident at Glengormley suburb followed by 12 hours an ambush in a lonely country lane in County Tyrone, 64 kms. southwest of Belfast, killing a Roman Catholic couple and wounding their daughter.

The killings brought to 1,012 the toll in nearly five years of Northern Ireland violence involving majority Protestants, minority Roman Catholics and the British army.

Police said the Tyrone victims were James Devlin, 45, and his wife, Gertrude, 43. They said the killing appeared senseless as Devlin, a well-known former Gaelic football player, kept out of politics. Their daughter, Patricia, 17, survived the ambush and was hospitalized under armed guard.

In the Glengormely shooting, police said the gunmen opened fire on the workmen who were eating their lunch in a hut. After the first burst of fire, one of the men inside managed to close the door, but the gunmen continued coolly firing through it, Police said. The gunmen fled in a waiting car.

Police said the shooting was a copy of a similar incident on another building site five kms. away in January. Two gunmen held up a group of workmen playing cards in their lunch break and, after asking any Protestants in the group to stand, shot the rest, killing two.

Earlier terrorists planted a record-sized 1,100-pound bomb 200 yards from Belfast's City Hall. The big bomb was packed in a panel truck hijacked in the Falls Road quarter of the city, an Irish Republican Army stronghold. The driver was forced at gunpoint to drive to a petrol station near City Hall. The driver alerted troops who smothered the truck with thick foam used to dampen explosives.

Smithfield Market, more than 100 old single-storey buildings housing bookshops, antique and junk stalls, was completely gutted by a blaze that police said was started by terrorist firebombs. *(AP, UPI)*

Senate rejects more arms aid for Saigon

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The Nixon Administration has suffered another foreign policy defeat in Congress with the Senate's refusal to allow more military aid money for South Vietnam.

The 49 to 38 vote was seen by Senate sources as rejection of both the Administration's Indo-China policies, and the procedures for handling military aid to the Saigon Government.

The Pentagon was accused during the debate of deliberately spending money too fast earlier in the fiscal year with the expectation that Congress would feel itself forced to vote an increase in the approved ceiling for military aid.

The Senate vote came a month after the House of Representatives had voted against raising the spending ceiling on military aid for Saigon.

The White House yesterday attacked the Senate's rejection of additional military aid for Saigon, and warned that a North Vietnamese infiltration of troops and arms posed a growing threat to stability in South-East Asia.

White House Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren charged that since the cease-fire last January, Hanoi with outside assistance has illegally infiltrated into South Vietnam more than 120,000 troops..."

The White House statement signalled the start of an Administration campaign to overturn the Senate vote.

U.K. delays decision on Indian Ocean base

LONDON (UPI). — The Labour Government has delayed decision on whether to grant the U.S. promised air and naval base facilities on the tiny Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia, government sources said yesterday.

An agreement in principle to give the U.S. these facilities was reached earlier this year with the former Conservative Government, but it was not formally adopted.

The plan behind the agreement was to enable the U.S. to develop the existing island facilities into a base in the face of the growing Soviet naval push into the Indian Ocean.

American officials are opening a two-day round of talks with Britain here today on Indian Ocean and Far Eastern political and defence problems. The Diego Garcia issue will be discussed, but British officials served notice no decision on base facilities will be taken.

They said they did not even expect substantial progress to be made in the talks on whether and when the February accord would be implemented. The official reason advanced is that the Labour Government is reviewing its entire defence posture and Diego Garcia forms part of this review, which will take several months.

There are problems also on the American side in this context. The U.S. undertook under the February agreement to invest about $30m. in developing the tiny island for its base needs. But the prospects of Congressional appropriations are not certain at this stage.

The Labour Government in Britain is dragging its feet because it is worried about the hostile reaction the plan has aroused in the area. Protests have come from India and others, and the Russians have also attacked it. The Labour Government is above all sensitive to reaction from Commonwealth countries.

Early Nixon visit to Mid-East 'still possible'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Nixon has not ruled out a trip to the Middle East later this month or in early June, according to White House Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler.

Ziegler told reporters that there is no "fixed date" for a trip but "I simply don't want to rule out possibilities."

Egyptian diplomats said Nixon would visit the Middle East if Syria and Israel could work out a troop disengagement plan.

Egyptian sources said Nixon had made tentative plans to visit Egypt, Israel, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. They said Jordan and Lebanon might be included in the itinerary also.

Ziegler said the President fully intended to keep his commitment for summit talks in Moscow with Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev in Moscow the last week in June.

'Three Marias' acquitted in Lisbon

LISBON (UPI). — A criminal court judge ruled yesterday that three Portuguese women authors —the "three Marias"—and their publisher were innocent of publishing a pornographic book. The case had received world-wide attention, and the women, who were brought to trial last year, were described as Portugal's "first feminists."

Judge Acacio Lopes Cardoso said: "The lengthy evidence leads me to the conclusion that the book is neither pornographic nor immoral, but a work of art."

He said that the publisher, Dr. Romeo de Melo, in deciding to publish "New Portuguese Letters," did a great service to culture and art in Portugal.

He urged Portuguese feminists Maria Fatima Velho da Costa, 35, Maria Isabel Barreno, 34, and Maria Teresa Herta, 35, to continue publishing the book.

The authors said a new edition would be issued soon.

As the verdict was read to a courtroom so packed that one of the defence attorneys could not sit down, the crowd rushed forward and began embracing and kissing the three women.

Maria Isabel Barreno, left, Maria Velho da Costa and Maria Teresa Herta, during their appearance in a Lisbon court on charges of offending public morality. (AP radiophoto)

'Allah' film ban

RABAT (UPI). — The government has ordered the Syrian-born American director, Mustapha Akkad, to stop filming "Mohamed the Prophet of Allah," starring the American Anthony Quinn and Greek Actress Irene Pappas, government officials said today.

Portuguese socialist warns of 'too many political parties'

LISBON. — Portuguese Socialist Party leader Mario Soares said yesterday the new provisional government promised in one month by the ruling military junta must comprise the three main democratic groupings of Liberals, Socialists and Communists.

He told a press conference here that there can be "no democracy without political pluralism," although he warned that Portugal was in danger of losing its newly-won democracy by an overabundance of political parties.

Soares said, "I want to make an appeal for small groups to join the big ones. If they don't we won't succeed. Our democracy will be destroyed." He and his aides estimated 48 separate groups calling themselves political parties had emerged since the April 25 military coup which toppled Marcello Caetano and his one-party Government.

Soares said his party and the Communists have no joint programme, although they have issued joint statements. He gave three reasons for including Communist members in the Government:

- They could represent a great international working class party.
- The provisional Government is being formed not as a result of free elections but as part of the programme of the armed forces which overthrew Caetano.
- The Government will deal with major problems: the preparation for free elections, the economy and the end of colonial status for overseas provinces.

He was speaking just after the seven-man junta, headed by General Antonio de Spinola, had made a major approach to guerrilla movements in Africa to lay down their arms and come to the negotiating table.

The junta yesterday dropped from helicopters thousands of pamphlets on the capital city in Mozambique warning the population it would deal severely with any civil disorders.

In a related move, diplomatic sources said the army earlier this week disarmed several hundred members of the local militia in Lourenco Marques. The sources said the army feared right-wing members of the militia might try to take the law into their own hands and round up suspected members of the Frelimo guerrilla organization here.

The warning in the pamphlets — and similar warnings in local newspapers — was apparently made to stifle a burgeoning white backlash here following the coup in Lisbon. *(AP, UPI, Reuter)*

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THE WHITE HOUSE TRANSCRIPTS

A 'SHABBY AND IMMORAL SHOW'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott said yesterday that transcripts of private presidential conversations convey "a shabby, disgusting and immoral performance."

Scott told reporters he had read the first 800 pages of the 1,300-pages of edited transcript of taped recordings of Watergate discussions between Nixon and various aides and associates. "I am enormously disturbed that there was not enough showing of moral indignation which would have been expected under the circumstances."

Asked if he was referring to Nixon, Scott said: "I mean by each of those persons (who participated in the conversations) according to what he said."

Pressed to say whom he meant when he referred to a disgusting performance, Scott said: "The transcripts will have to speak for themselves. I won't go any further than that."

Rep. John Conyers, Dem.-Mich., a member of the House Judiciary Committee and an outspoken Nixon critic, said yesterday that his reading of the transcripts convinced him that Nixon had committed "an impeachable act." Conyers said Nixon's discussions on March 21, 1973, with John Dean concerning demands by Watergate conspirator Howard Hunt was "the best evidence of the commission of a federal crime."

Although several of the 38 members of the committee have called for Nixon's impeachment in the past, Conyers is the first member to say he had found evidence of an impeachable offence in the transcripts.

The Detroit Congressman said he would make a new attempt to get the committee to cite Nixon for contempt of Congress for refusing to surrender actual tapes subpoenaed by the panel. His first effort was voted down last week.

Court action on 64 presidential tapes was postponed on Monday, indicating an "accommodation" may be envisaged to avoid a court fight between the White House and the special Watergate prosecutor.

The five-day postponement was on a hearing of a White House motion to quash a subpoena for the tapes. U.S. District Court judge John D. Sirica moved the hearing from today to May 13.

Chess event opens today at Netanya

By ELIAHU SHAHAF
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — The 16th traditional Shach-Kait (Recreation Chess) festival opens in Netanya today. The international tournament, which is the main event of the festival, will be more modest than in recent years. The guest players include international masters Renato Naranja of the Philippines, Arnold Denker of the U.S., Lief Ogaard of Norway, and Peter Biylasas and Leon Piasetski of Canada.

The local contingent includes grandmaster Vladimir Liberzon, international masters Moshe Czerniak, Yair Kraidman, Shimon Kagan, Ya'acov Bleiman all members of Israel's team to the forthcoming Nice Olympiad), and senior masters Leon Lederman, Shmuel Friedman and Avraham Kaidor.

The cash prizes in this event, totalling $875, were donated by Bank Leumi.

The other events within the framework of the festival are the Hapoel Championships Classes I, II and III, with the participation of selected players from master's strength down to the fifth category.

All tournaments will be held at the Hotel Hakibbutz and will continue until May 19th.

The pound drops

LONDON (UPI). — The British pound fell sharply against the U.S. dollar yesterday in reaction to a call by leaders of the Engineering Union for a nation wide strike.

The dollar changed hands in early afternoon trading in London at $2.4170 to the pound, well up on Monday's closing rate of $2.4350.

KENNEDY WANTS SOVIET IN MID-EAST TALKS

WASHINGTON. — Senator Edward Kennedy said on Monday he thinks the Soviet Union must be brought into efforts to get peace in the Middle East, particularly on the Golan Heights.

Recently returned from talks with Soviet leaders, Kennedy said he believed they should be brought into the negotiations in a meaningful way and their intentions tested.

Kennedy said he did not think this had been done in the past but that U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was attempting to do it now.

He said Soviet leaders indicated to him "they want to play a role, that they believe Israel should be secure, that the borders should be secure and that there can be security for the peoples of the area."

Kennedy said he was "not willing to say what they said to me is necessarily the straight story" but believes the views of Russians expressed should be tested.

Asked whether he thought he could provide the country with moral leadership in the wake of Watergate, Kennedy replied: "I would not run if I didn't. But I am completely satisfied that if I decided to run, I think I could — I could, yes."

(AP, Reuter)

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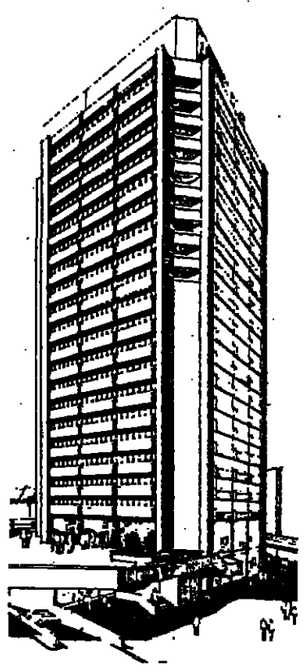
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A 'man who seemed to tower above the rest in Europe'

BONN (Reuter). — The resignation of West German Chancellor Willy Brandt deprives Europe of a man who seemed to tower above other European politicians.

His controversial "Ostpolitik" policy of reconciling West Germany with Communist East Europe won him the 1971 Nobel Peace prize. Ironically, it was the presence of a close aide of his who has admitted spying for East Germany which brought an end to his leadership.

The 60-year-old Brandt became Chancellor in October 1969 at the head of a coalition of his Social Democratic Party and the small liberal Free Democratic Party. He was returned to power with an increased majority in the last general election in November 1972.

The fruits of Brandt's "Ostpolitik" included treaties with Moscow and Warsaw and the signing of a four-power agreement over West Berlin which at last safeguarded the rights of the beleaguered city.

It was in Berlin, where he was Governing Mayor for nine years, that the dashing figure of Brandt caught the public eye. He seemed to epitomise the strength of the Berliners in refusing to be intimidated by the Communists.

In 1972, Brandt's efforts led to the signing of a treaty between the two halves of Germany that had been divided for 27 years. The treaty in turn was to assure the entry of both West Germany and East Germany into the ranks of the U.N.

The ex-Chancellor was born Herbert Karl Frahm in Lubeck on December 18, 1913. He never knew his father, and grew up in poverty.

He joined the Socialist Youth Movement in the early 1930s, and was working as a journalist for a Lubeck newspaper when Hitler came to power in 1933. He adopted the name Willy Brandt as a cover to deceive the Gestapo, while he worked for the Socialist Workers' Party, and eventually fled into exile in Norway.

As a reporter for Scandinavian newspapers, he went to Spain for five months in 1937 to report the Spanish Civil War from the Republican side.

A year before the outbreak of World War II the Nazis deprived him of his German citizenship. He obtained Norwegian citizenship instead.

Long afterwards, taunted for not taking back his "German" name, Brandt retorted: "Everything in my life worth mentioning has happened to Willy Brandt, not to Herbert Frahm."

When Nazi armies overran Norway in 1940, the young exile was in grave danger. Friends gave him an ill-fitting Norwegian Army uniform and he disappeared into a prisoner-of-war camp. Released after a few weeks, he fled again, this time to Sweden.

Only when Hitler's Third Reich was finally crushed in 1945 could he return to his home country as a Norwegian correspondent covering the Nuremberg war crimes trial.

What he saw at Nuremberg led him to write a book called "Criminals and other Germans," which pointed out the difference between the war criminals and a nation capable of redemption. The offer of a job as press attache at the Norwegian Military Mission in Berlin brought him to the devastated city in the uniform of a Norwegian major — something which diehard German nationalists still hold against him.

Brandt resumed his German nationality and became active in the Social Democratic Party.

At the time of the Soviet invasion of Hungary in 1956, he was president of the Berlin Chamber of Deputies. By sheer force of personality he talked a seething crowd of Berliners out of their intention of surging into East Berlin to protest against Communist oppression.

The following year he became, at 41, the youngest-ever Governing Mayor of West Berlin. With a cool and steady hand he steered the city thorugh several crises, including the building of the Berlin Wall by East German authorities in 1951.

The Berlin period gave him the experience he needed to take charge of the Foreign Ministry in 1966. He moved into the Chancellery in 1969, becoming Germany's first Social Democrat Chancellor for 41 years.

A churchgoing Protestant, Brandt has been twice married—both times to Norwegians. His first marriage ended in divorce in 1946. He married his second wife, Rut Hansen, a Norwegian journalist, in 1948. They have three sons. A handsome, burly man, Brand likes good food, yet never appears to have weight problems.

Formerly a night owl who enjoyed drinking with convivial friends, Brandt has given heed to medical advice and now makes a point of relaxing as much as his duties permit.

A BLOW TO EUROPEAN UNITY

Willy Brandt's sudden resignation as West German Chancellor was regarded by officials in many governments as a hard blow for West European unity.

The initial response in Eastern Europe, where Brandt had sought to improve relations with Communist governments, was one of dismay.

French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert said "the departure of Brandt is a big loss for Europe. In my short time in the political arena I have learned that politics is a very cruel game," said Jobert, attending a meeting of Common Market foreign ministers in Brussels. "I believe that Chancellor Brandt had a profound belief in European unity."

Wilhelm Hafterkamp, Common Market Executive Commission vice-president, said Brandt's resignation is "a hard blow for the European Community." He said there was a "high regard (for Brandt) shared by many people both inside and outside the European community."

Premier Joop Den Uyl of the Netherlands said "a Europe without Brandt is impoverished ... the resignation of Brandt is a heavy blow for Germany, for Europe and the Socialist Movement."

Brandt's resignation has sidelined the only politician that Washington and Moscow had agreed could lead or speak for Western Europe.

Compared to the troubled men struggling to organize France, Britain, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Denmark, Brandt and his coalition government had seemed a sturdy boulder.

Russia's Leonid I. Brezhnev estimated Brandt to be about the only West European worth talking to. He had invited Brandt for some serious talking in July.

Washington fretted about Brandt from time to time, but mainly because President Nixon and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger thought Brandt should use his great weight to bring a recalcitrant France into line with American policies.

U.S. officials in Washington were stunned by the resignation, but they were reported pleased with the nomination of Finance Minister Helmut Schmidt to become the new chief of government in Bonn.

However, Washington officials withheld immediate official comment. Official comment may not be forthcoming — on the ground that the change of government leaders is an internal West German political development — until the formal confirmation of Schmidt as chancellor.

In Jerusalem, Israel Foreign Minister Abba Eban said yesterday he regretted Brandt's resignation and described the West German chancellor as a "friendly leader and a personal friend."

Communist East Germany broke its official silence on the resignation and declared it always had appreciated the realistic policies pursued by Brandt. The Communists expressed the hope that normalization would continue when a new government in Bonn is formed, according to the official news agency ADN, which said it was quoting a Foreign Ministry spokesman in East Berlin.

(AP, UPI, Reuter).

Willy Brandt at a meeting of the Social Democratic Party yesterday, hours after his resignation had been announced. (AP radiophoto)

Cairo grants Red Sea oil rights

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Egypt has granted its first oil exploration concession in the Red Sea to the Union Oil Company which will search for oil in off-shore areas near Ras Banas covering 10,000 square kms., according to the "Petroleum Economist."

Union will spend $30m. on exploration and the agreement provides for production-sharing with the Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation (EGPC) in the event of a commercial discovery.

Another seven contracts have been finally approved with Mobil, Exxon, Petrobras, Transworld (two), Deminex, and Continental. These concessions cover a total of nearly 79,000 square kms. in the Gulf of Suez, Nile Valley, Nile Delta, Mediterranean offshore and Western desert. These contracts provide for an expenditure of $144m. on exploration in addition to cash bonuses on signature of $15m.

A further four agreements have been initiated with Mobil, Continental (two) and Pexamin, and further offers have been made by Shell, BP, Chevron and Sun Oil.

The current pattern for production sharing agreements in Egypt is for 40 per cent of production to be set aside to cover operating costs, with the remaining 60 per cent shared in the proportion of 80 per cent for EGPC and 20 per cent to the foreign partner.

They call him 'Schmidt the Lip' — a master politician

BONN. — Helmut Schmidt, nominated yesterday to succeed Chancellor Willy Brandt, has steered his country through the hazards of monetary crises for the last two years, and has long been groomed as Brandt's successor.

The 55-year-old handsome and urbane Finance Minister typifies West Germany's self-confidence and dynamism.

Nicknamed "Schmidt-Schnauze (Schmidt the Lip)" — a backhanded tribute to his agility in parliamentary debate — he is a proponent of free enterprise, and is vice-chairman of the ruling Social Democrats.

Schmidt's rise through party ranks accelerated when his former mentor, Professor Karl Schiller, resigned suddenly as "Super Minister" of Finance and Economics in 1972. Schmidt took command quickly and surely with Germany in the throes of one of its worst political crises.

Schmidt was born in Hamburg on December 21, 1918, son of a teacher. During World War II he saw service on the Eastern and Western fronts, becoming a first lieutenant and battery commander, and was briefly a prisoner of war of the British.

Returning to a starving and shattered country, he set his sights on a political career. He studied economics at Hamburg University, where one of his lecturers was the brilliant Professor Schiller. While still a student, Schmidt joined the Social Democrats (S.P.D.).

He was elected chairman of the S.P.D. student youth organization and after graduation worked for the Hamburg State Government, becoming manager of its transport administration from 1950 to 1953.

He was first elected to the Bundestag in 1953, and stood out as one of the most exceptional of the younger deputies. He has been a member of the Bundestag almost without interruption since then.

Schmidt has taken a firm line against the party's Marxist-oriented Youth Wing whose radical pronouncements alarmed many middle-of-the-road voters.

Considered a master politician and pragmatist, Schmidt once said: "Somebody who always thinks of the adjective 'dirty' whenever a compromise is made is completely unable to think politically."

(Reuter, AP)

Tunis sentences 4 Russian spies

TUNIS (UPI). — The Tunis Court of State Security sentenced four Tunisians on Monday for terms of five to 10 years with hard labour for treason and spying for the Soviet Union, court officials said yesterday.

A fifth man was given a suspended sentence of three years' imprisonment and three others were acquitted.

The court sentenced Valery Kosakov, former Tunis correspondent of the Soviet Novosti News Agency who was described as leader of the spy network, to life at hard labour in his absence.

Kosakov was expelled from Tunisia after spending a month in prison.

Two diplomats from the Soviet Embassy were declared *persona non grata* last September.

16 new embassies

ANKARA (Reuter).—Turkey is to open 16 new embassies, most of them in Africa and the Middle East, parliament was told yesterday.

Stolen London Vermeer found in churchyard

LONDON (UPI). — Scotland Yard detectives who recovered a stolen £2m. Vermeer masterpiece returned the painting to its rightful owners yesterday. They treated it like a dangerously ill hospital patient.

"It's suffered a bit," said John Jacob of The Guitar Player, a 300-year-old painting by Jan Vermeer of Delft, one of the world's rarest old masters. "It's nothing terribly serious, but we must look after it."

Detectives found the painting leaning against a tombstone on Monday night outside St. Bartholomew's Church, London's oldest. It was wrapped in newspaper and tied up with string. It had been missing for 10 weeks.

The recovery closely followed Irish Police recovery of 19 other old masters stolen 10 days ago from the rich country home of diamond millionaire Sir Alfred Beit. Dr. Rose Dugdale, a millionaire's debutante daughter turned revolutionary, was charged with that theft in a Dublin Court on Monday.

London Police ruled out any connection between the two cases.

Jacob is curator of Kenwood House, the London-owned Museum from which the Vermeer was stolen in a midnight smash-and-grab raid in February.

He identified the painting at Scotland Yard, then carried it away tucked under his arm, wrapped in brown paper. He took it to the controlled environment of the museum's restoration workshops.

"The painting is in quite good condition," Jacob said. "Generally, it's all right. It's beginning to show signs that it is suffering from damp. But it could be made good. It will take some weeks to restore it."

Nothing had been heard about the painting since a threat to burn it on March 17, St. Patrick's Day. A tip-off led detectives to the churchyard on Monday night, police said. No arrests have been made.

Nuremberg air crash kills three

NUREMBERG (UPI). — A chartered Iceland Air Transport plane, loaded with 12 tons of Mother's Day flowers from the French Riviera, crashed into a forest while approaching Nuremberg Airport late Monday night.

All three crewmen of the DC-6 were killed, police reported. They were not immediately identified.

Early yesterday, searchers came upon what police described as a "macabre site" — the wreckage heaped with flowers, mostly carnations, which had been ordered from Nice by a Nuremberg florist for Mother's Day sales.

The four-engined plane broke apart as it plowed through trees, but did not explode, police said.

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EXPORT WEEK

Loading agricultural produce at Ben-Gurion Airport. (Rubinger)

'THE ISRAELIS COME THROUGH EVERY TIME'

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

It is gratifying to hear compliments about Israel's business community, for a change. And what is more from an unimpeachable source. A dozen "Outstanding Trade Promoters, 1973" (who had just received their awards from President Katzir) were gathered in a room at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry last Sunday. They were asked to say just what they thought — to be frank, to get a load off their chests.

It was mostly praise. Edward Adler, of the U.S., who imported $4m. of Israeli food products last year, said: "You have done wonderfully on quality and price. Above all, Israeli suppliers honour their commitments.

"In every country we do business with — Spain, Italy, Yugoslavia, and others — traders may pull out of an already signed deal if there is a better opening elsewhere. They find an excuse for non-delivery.

"Not the Israelis." And there was a chorus of approving murmurs from other foreign importers round the table. "No phoney deals, no letdowns, no hanky-panky — they come through every time."

A Frenchman, Emile Azoulay, took up the tale (he imports agricultural products): "Israel is on the edge of the Common Market, but not inside. She has to pay tariffs that her competitors are spared. Nevertheless she has managed to impose herself on the French and the European markets by quality, technology and first-class organization. In out-of-season products, exotic crops and citrus, Israel has achieved a top standing.

"This was developed during the last five years, against stiff competition. The Israelis are ahead in the race on all technical matters. Countries like Mexico, Morocco and Spain — and yes, even California — are now copying Israel's packaging and presentation methods for farm products. If we are selling a lot of avocados today, it is because Israel made the breakthrough, thanks to the consistently high quality of her deliveries.

"Other rivals are now trying to enter through the breach. South Africa and some ex-French colonies are offering avocados. Israel will face more and more competition. But on the technological and research plane she has nothing to fear."

Jean-Pierre Douchemin represents the Israeli firm Elscint in France. He says: "Your electronic products got a foothold, because by technological standards they are thoroughly competitive. The problem is that you are handicapped by the shortage of manpower, especially during the recent war — and therefore you can't supply enough.

"Israel should concentrate on advanced technology, because her capacities justify it. She could take over part of a very sophisticated market in Europe." Israel wins through originality, he observed, and through being in the forefront of product development. "Elscint has created a new philosophy of medical electronics."

It must be noted that these men are outstandingly successful importers, and therefore presumably have better-than-average suppliers in Israel. On the other hand they represent a wide range of industries, including also textiles, plywood and chemicals. Adin Talbar, head of the Foreign Trade Department in the Ministry, was host to the meeting, and he called for criticisms — but not about tiffs with individual manufacturers. Were there any problems concerning the general set-up, in which the Government has a say?

Mr. Adler put his finger on the central issue: "You are far away from Western markets, so your shipping costs are high. Also the expense of packaging and canning has recently gone up in Israel more than elsewhere. The only cheap thing left is the actual product within the package," he smiled.

Alberto Villa, of Italy, who imports chemicals from Makhteshim, feels there are not enough sailings to Italian ports. "We want to ship chemicals direct to Trieste, Genoa, Naples, Bari," he pointed out. J.R. Springall, of Britain, remarked that ships are increasingly constructed for specialised functions, and this aggravates holdups in dealing with general cargo. He recommended that Zim build the "shell-type" ship, which can be used for containers, and also for other types of cargo.

Mr. Adler warned that though Israelis do not break contracts, they may perhaps fail to be taking the long-term view in building up a market. "Prices of tomato products have soared," he said. "They are much higher in Europe than in America — so your factories have shifted their business to Europe. They may be right. After all they need the profits, and the country needs the foreign currency.

"But they cannot eliminate a market that they have built up over the years, and then when the price shifts again in favour of that market, come back to it and expect to find the situation unchanged.

"A customer of mine who buys pizza sauce is having to re-establish contact with suppliers in California — that I took six years to woo him away from. And he won't leave California a second time."

Getting Jews to buy Israeli

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A MARKETING experiment recently begun in Miami Beach may open up new horizons for Israeli exports, a leading industrialist believes.

Dov Lautman, managing director of Gibor Textiles, told *The Jerusalem Post* this week: "With this country's exports in the doldrums, any new idea is worth a try. And that is why we are interested — and enthusiastic — about Miami's 'Buy Israel' campaign."

The campaign, which has only half-hearted support from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, is designed to exploit pro-Israel sentiment among diaspora Jewry. In essence, the theme is: while Israel's friends assist the State with their contributions to UJA and purchases of Bonds, they can do more — by purchasing Israeli-made merchandise, and thus boosting the economy.

"With six million Jews in the U.S., the purchasing power they represent at the retail level is very impressive," says Mr. Lautman. "I say retail level pointedly, since selling to importers is no problem for Israeli manufacturers.

"Anyone familiar with mass marketing knows that moving goods off the shelves of supermarkets and department stores calls for millions of dollars' worth of advertising. This is something Israeli firms cannot afford. So the Miami Beach test will determine whether word-of-mouth suggestion can do a reasonably good job of moving Israeli products."

The "Buy Israel" drive, organized right after the Yom Kippur War, is the culmination of many years' efforts by Yehoshua Meshulah, a retired Tel Aviv journalist. He has made it his business to attend every Zionist Congress and other gatherings, to push the idea of utilizing Jewish sentiment abroad to help industry here.

He tells his critics that it was sentiment that spurred Baron de Rothschild to establish his world-famous wine cellars here more than 85 years ago. Doesn't El Al play on sentiment to win Jewish travellers? Are not the Economic Conferences begun in 1968 based on the same purpose? If Jewish tourists are pulled here by their heartstrings (certainly not by local prices and service), then why not twang those heartstrings a bit to get them to spend some of their money on Israeli exports in their home countries?

> 'The appeal to sentiment is not aimed at making consumers overlook their interests—quality and price'

According to Meshulah, Jewish families outside Israel spend between five and 10 billion dollars annually on food and clothing alone. If, through a well-organized plan, they can be persuaded to spend even a small part of that sum on Israeli products, it would be a boon to this country's economy.

Mr. Meshulah's breakthrough came in late 1972, when the Knesset Economic Committee appointed a subcommittee to explore the question. Heading the body was Uzi Fainermen, influential Alignment Member who believed in the idea. After many months of work, the parent Committee voted to approve a plan whereby the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, despite its reluctance, would match, dollar-for-dollar, all outlays interested exporters would make to launch a "Buy Israel" campaign abroad.

The exporters raised $25,000 to help finance the Miami Beach scheme, and a like amount is being contributed by the Ministry. In addition, the Jewish Agency is giving $10,000 since it believes a "Buy Israel" programme has considerable Zionist educational value besides the commercial angle.

"The motivation to buy our goods is already there," says Mr. Lautman, "and all that is needed to make this drive a success is proper organization." He quotes Jews abroad as asking, "What else can we do for Israel now that we have already bought bonds and contributed to the various Israel fund appeals?"

Meshulah himself is in Miami now, supervising the marketing experiment. Every Jewish organization — from Hadassah, YMHA, B'nai B'rit to Pioneer Women — has been contacted and they and other bodies have already formed "Israel Product Committees" whose members visit local merchants to convince them to order Israeli merchandise from their wholesalers.

Many of these organizations are also staging Israel product exhibits in their buildings, to give people an idea of the range of items available. Mr. Lautman says: "There is more to Israel exports than wine, matzot and gefilte fish. We also manufacture everyday food items such as tomato products and soups and sauces. And we can also provide buyers with good jewellery, high fashion and ready-to-wear clothing, adult and juvenile."

He stresses that the plea to Jewish sentiment is not aimed at making consumers overlook their main interests — quality and price. "It is only after our products compare favourably in quality and price that we ask the Jewish consumer to consider choosing our product in view of the assistance such a purchase would give to Israel's economy."

A recent advertisement placed in Florida's Anglo-Jewish press reminded readers that Israel is one of America's best trading partners — that Israel imports more American goods than Iran or India, and more than Egypt, Lebanon, Syria and Jordan combined.

Not only that, but Israel's trade deficit with the U.S. grew substantially. While its exports to the American market grew from $223m. in 1972 to $267m. last year, its imports from the U.S. increased from $368m. in 1972 to $550m. last year.

Sales of Israeli products in the Greater Miami area reached approximately $300,000 last year, according to local sources. If the present campaign succeeds in raising that figure substantially, similar schemes will be tried in other American cities with large Jewish populations.

"I see great potential for the 'Buy Israel' idea," says Mr. Lautman. "But I think the Ministry of Commerce and Industry should take this more seriously. They could probably do a better job on this than we volunteers."

BOOMING LOCAL DEMAND KEEPS EXPORTS DOWN

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE current discussion on ways and means of promoting exports is proceeding against the background of growing concern about our foreign trade deficit. Though exports increased 15 per cent in the first quarter of 1974, compared with a year ago, imports more than doubled in the same period, and the resulting deficit soared over 90 per cent.

The export performance reflected the recovery which has taken place in the diamond industry (which was better than had been expected) and the growth of other manufactured exports at a rate much above that forecast for the current year. However, this was partly offset by the drop in the proceeds from farm products (i.e. citrus). As a result, aggregate exports advanced about as much as was forecast, while the growth of imports was one half as much again as was expected. Should these trends continue in the coming months, the 1974 trade deficit may even exceed the staggering $2b. forecast in the National Budget.

Efforts to achieve a more substantial expansion of exports are encountering difficulties owing to flagging demand for many Israeli products — such as textiles, fashion goods, and high class food — as world prosperity is undermined by the rise in energy costs and attempts to check the spread of inflation. In several markets, sales of Israeli goods have been affected by the rupture of diplomatic ties. However, the major handicaps to better export performance are now seen in internal developments, namely in declining export profitability and in lagging productive capacity.

A study prepared by the Bank of Israel research department showed that the ratio between the proceeds from non-diamond exports — including incentives — and the respective production costs advanced steadily between 1965 and 1972, up to mid-1973, but has declined since. It is hardly fortuitous that our industrial exports developed along a roughly similar line—growing at an average rate of 20 per cent a year up to shortly before the war, but slowing down since.

The turning point is even more noticeable when the proceeds from export sales are compared with the price trend for manufactured products in the local market. This ratio roughly reflects the relative profitability of selling abroad or at home, as well as the relative ability of exporters to compete with home-oriented producers when bidding for available labour and material resources. The marked drop in this ratio since the third quarter of 1973 — after a substantial rise in the preceding years—indicates that our manufacturers are now less interested, and less able, to engage in export activity. As a matter of fact, this statistical finding is confirmed by reports from many enterprises to the effect that orders exceed their output potential. As a result deliveries abroad are often delayed because supplying local customers is both easier and more lucrative.

A change in this situation would require either the effective checking of booming local demand or the introduction of export incentives that would go beyond what can be offered by the local market. Nevertheless, the export sub-committee set up by the Economic Council did not suggest anything as radical as that. Its major recommendation was to reappraise the current manner of calculating export incentives (for which a basic study would have to be carried out) and in the meantime to exclude mineral exports from the calculation of export profitability, because the rise in world prices of copper, phosphates, potash and bromine tends to invalidate the average of other, less fortunate products. Incidentally, this recommendation has not been accepted.

Another recommendation of the sub-committee was to expand the incentives granted to commercial companies engaged in the export trade, in order to facilitate the activities of medium and small manufacturers for whom these companies act as marketing agents. Close to one quarter of our manufactured exports is now handled by exporting companies, but their scope could be increased if they were given adequate financial encouragement. Other ways of uniting export activities of small and medium firms should also be explored and encouraged, the sub-committee suggested, stressing that 95 per cent of manufacturers engaged in export have foreign sales of less than $1m. annually, as a result of which their marketing and promotional overheads must be much too high.

The sub-committee also suggested merging the administrative bodies currently active in export promotion; introducing a general levy (at the rate of one tenth per cent) on all export proceeds for financing the eventual promotion centre; and establishing a statutory foreign trade council to advise the Minister of Commerce and Industry on policy. All of these recommendations are still hanging fire and none of them is likely to have any substantial impact on the actual development of our export trade in the near future.

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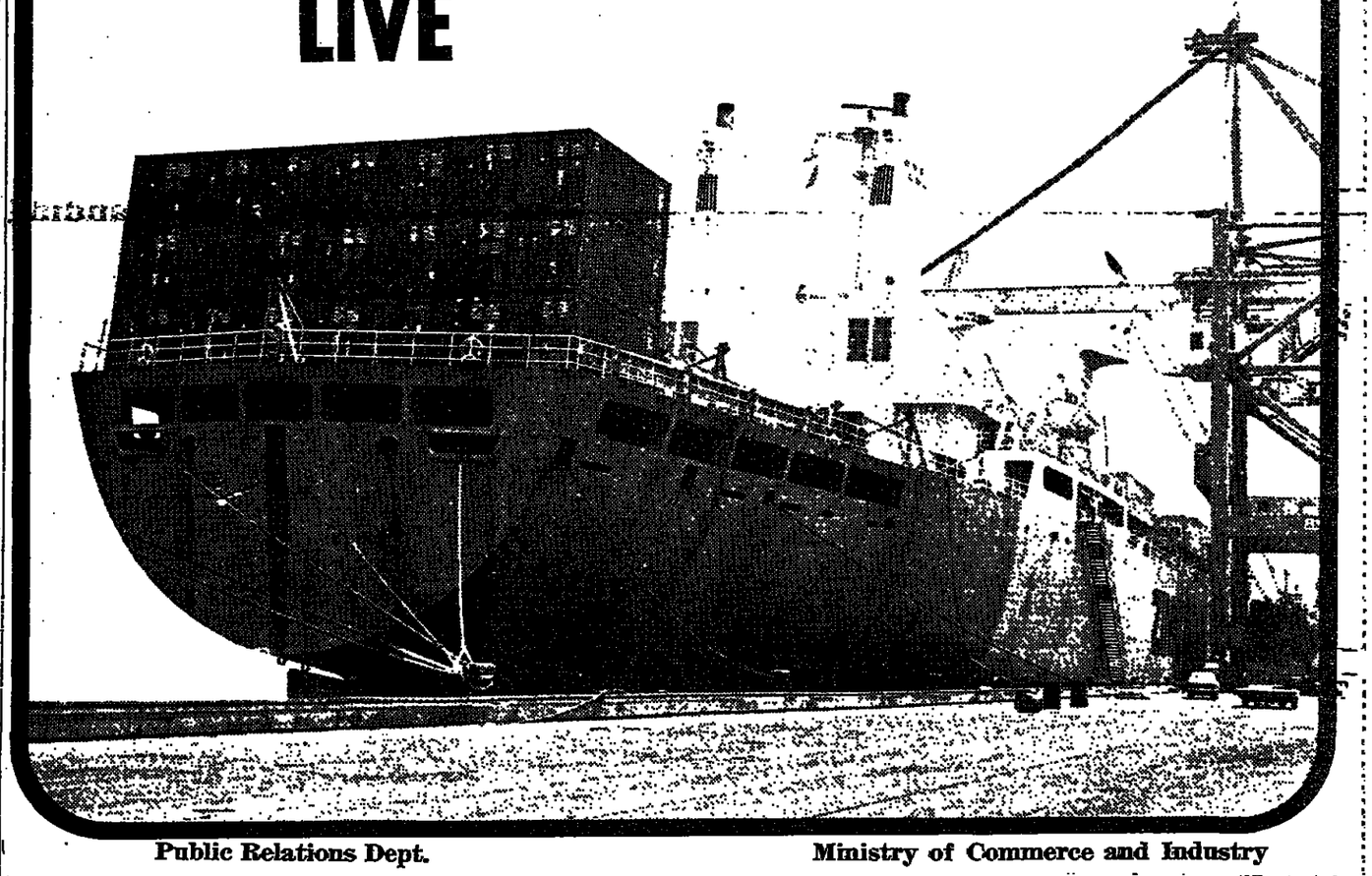

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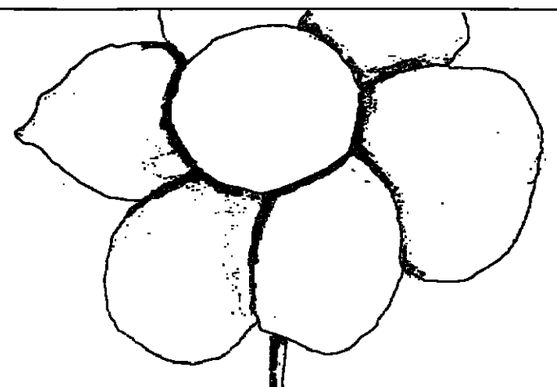

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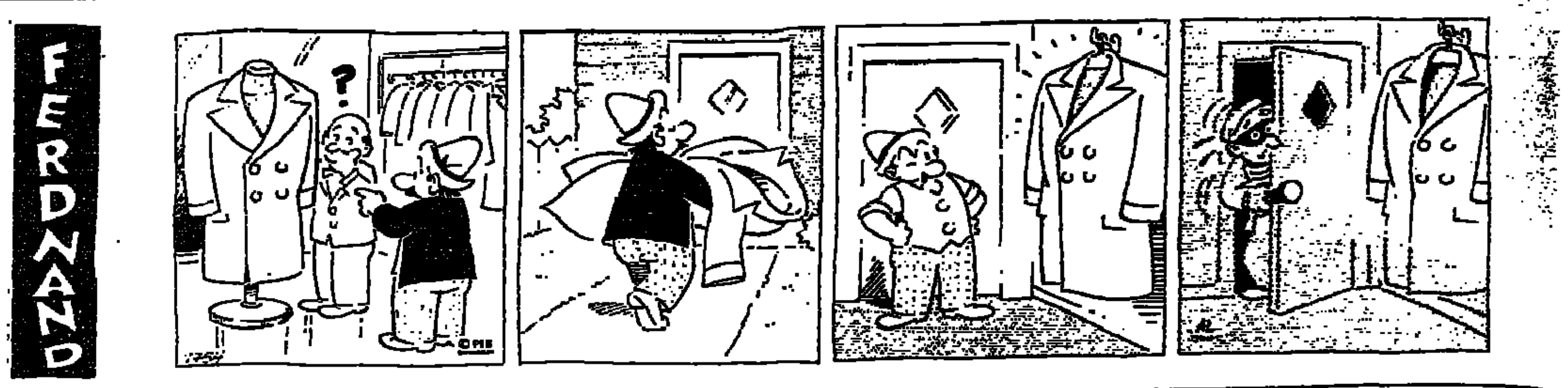

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS

1st Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 1 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.

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FIRST PROGRAMME

258, 522 and 221 M.

7.55 a.m. Opening. 8.05 "Morning Concert" Mozart: "Haffner" Serenade, K. 250 (Kubelik). 9.05: Weber: Overture "Preziosa" (Muenchinger); Schubert: "Hirt auf dem Felsen"; Rossini: String Sonata No.2 ("I Musici"); Schumann: 3 Romances. 9.55 English News. 1.05 Bartok: "Night in the Village" Szell); Debussy: "Printemps" (Boulez); Ben-Haim: "Yefe-Nof" (Ital); Ibert: Flute Concerto (Rampal). 11.05 Ivrit La'am.

11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 "First Broadcast" — (J. Dorfman — Piano): Prokofiev: Sonata No.4; Scriabin: Preludes.

1.05 "Midday Concert."

2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — "Bettering your knowledge." 3.30 Guidance for teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.05 "Felix Mendelssohn" — The Portrait of a Creator. A series of programmes produced by Ada Brodsky (10th programme).

4.53 English News. 5.05 "Wind Bands."

5.35 Musical Quiz.

5.55 French News. 6.05 "People and Figures." 6.30 "The World of An Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.30 Programme Trailer. 7.50 Bible Reading: Tehillim, chaps. 23 and 24.

8.05 "Chamber Music" — "Yuval Trio" plays Haydn: Trio in d; Natra: Trio; Dvorak: Trio, op.65. 9.20 Cantorial Request Programme. 10.05 "Eshnab."

11.05 "My Concert." 12.05 A Moment of Poetry. 12.05 Close Down. 1.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME

457,423, 256, 355 and 349 M.

5.05 a.m. Hebrew songs. 5.55 Religious service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.25 Hebrew songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning." (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.05 This is Ehud Manor. 3.05 Requests. 3.35 Names and Events in the Jewish Scene. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 "Songs from behind the Iron Curtain" 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Songs from behind the Iron Curtain" (cont.). 5.05 "Find the Link." 5.30 Light Music. 6.05 Avraham Shlonsky's Songs. 6.45 Today's sport. 9.05 "From Pop to Inclusive." 10.05 "Till Midnight" — with Eliyahu Slonim. 11.05 "Tonight." 11.15 "Till Midnight" (cont.). 12.05 Jazz. 1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 My Friend Flicka. 6.55 Songs. 6.00 Cartoons. 6.00 Nanny and the Professor. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 "America" — documentary. 9.50 "La Strada — film. 11.35 News.

Educational: 8.15 Geometry 5. 8.40 A game on words 7-8. 9.05 Maths. 8. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 English 7. 10.45 Story. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.25 English 8. 12.00 Algebra 10. 12.20 Maths. 6. 1.20 Science 7. 1.40 Literature 7-8. 2.10 Technical Drawing 9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.25 Songs. 4.33 Film. 4 43 "It must be found." 5.00 Technology.

Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "The Lost Peace" — documentary. 7.00 Poetry. 7.05 "Visiting Card." 7.27 Programme review. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME

6.55 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

757, 483, 256, 249, 335 and 349.5 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 (4th programme and short waves);
4.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).

1st Programme — 256, 522 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.55 Programme trailer. 8.05 Zahal's newsreel. 8.30 Morning tunes (cont.) 9.05 Requests.

9.55 "Pocket Torch."

10.05 Requests. 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 Warm and Tasty — Regards. 11.55 "Armies of the Nations." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 p.m. Warm and Tasty. 1.30 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 "Two till Four" — with Mani Peer. 2.55 Programme Trailer. 3.05 "Two till Four" (cont.). 4.05 Hit Parade. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.45 Tunes for everybody — greetings. 6.05 "Discussion" 7.05 "The Seventh Day." 8.00 Concert. 10.05 Tonight with Yaakov Agmon. 11.45 Midnight Talk. 12.05 Zahal's Diary. 12.30 Night Birds with Puina Bat Zvi. 3.05 Tunes in the night.

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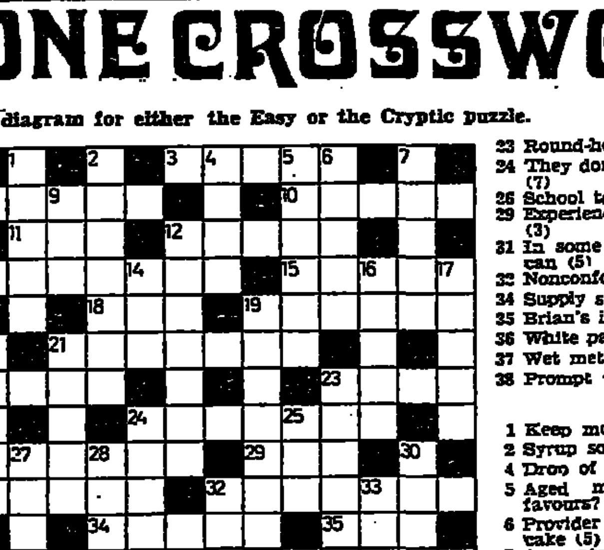
TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.



EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

3 Chimney cleaner (5)
8 Churchman's headgear (5)
10 Flat (5)
11 Excessively (3)
12 To allude (5)
13 Imagined (7)
15 Immoral habits (5)
18 Tree (3)
19 Small missile (6)
21 Bird (7)
22 Adamant (4)
23 Finished (4)
24 Unfavourable (7)
26 Cuts off (6)
29 Negative word (3)
31 Stamp (5)
32 Entice (7)
34 Appears (5)
35 Anger (3)
36 Number (5)
37 View (5)
38 Tolerate (5)

DOWN

1 Essential (5)
2 Continue (7)
4 Unwanted plant (4)
5 Number (6)
6 Danger (5)
7 Confused fight (5)
9 Weight (3)
12 Causes to remember (7)
14 Unwell (3)
16 Spice (5)
17 Look fixedly (5)
19 Fathers and mothers (7)
20 Coffer (5)
21 Demonstrate (5)
23 Non-flying bird (7)
24 Fervent (6)
25 Decay (3)
27 Went wrong (5)
28 Relaxes (5)
30 Aroma (5)
32 End of a prayer (4)
33 Part of a verb (3)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

3 No back seat! (5)
8 Title holder! (5)
10 Tongue in gelatine (5)
11 Talk on tap? (3)
12 Red-headed Scot (5)
13 Killed by a char? (4, 3)
15 They ring on the telephone (5)
18 Player of a Biblical role (3)
19 Wood, an officer on leave (6)
21 Good time forecast! (4, 3)
22 Surmounting a pot, maybe (4)
23 Round-headed deity (4)
24 They don't treat people well (7)
26 School to cultivate (6)
29 Experienced in shadowing (3)
31 In some ways she's American (5)
32 Nonconformist! (7)
34 Supply some grub (5)
35 Brian's in Brixton (3)
36 White paper? (5)
37 Wet met. mixture (5)
38 Prompt with cash? (5)

DOWN

1 Keep moving a vehicle (5)
2 Syrup source (4-3)
4 Drop of eye-wash (4)
5 Aged male the network favours? (3, 3)
6 Provider of eggs and some cake (5)
7 Accounts for posters? (5)
9 Fled out of range (3)
12 In a way, an incomplete question? (7)
14 Supporter making a point to the FA (3)
16 Yorkshire united (5)
17 Remain upright in the ground (5)
19 Comparatively remote (7)
20 Takes the plunge (5)
21 Pairs of braces! (5)
23 No mess officer? (7)
24 Give to Edna, maybe (6)
25 Hand propeller! (3)
27 Anything a bit naughty? (5)
28 A quick one (5)
30 Female brush-bearer (5)
32 Beastly lot (4)
33 Do up some nighties (3)

Monday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Camera. 7, Gradient. 8, Male. 10, Noises. 11, Minute. 14, Red. 16, Sores. 17, Ever. 19, Comet. 21, Salad. 22, Baton. 23, Step. 26, Nomad. 28, Fur. 29, Amends. 30, Silent. 31, Ogle. 32, Enlisted. 33, Singer.

DOWN.—1, Chance. 2, Eraser. 3, Ages. 4, Advised. 5, Recur. 6, Styes. 8, Mire. 9, Led. 12, Not. 13, Tense. 15, Colon. 18, Venom. 19, Cat. 20, Man. 21, Saddest. 22, Ban. 23, Sullen. 24, Tree. 25, Putter. 26, Names. 27, Meals. 28, Fig. 30, Sods.

Monday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—1, Grouch(O). 7, After all. 8, Pert(rev.). 10, Scenes. 11, Armlet. 14, Add. 16, Meals. 17, Dots. 19, Beg-'un. 21, MA-Gog. 22, Marat. 23, Crew. 26, Act-on. 28, Duo. 29, Seaway. 30, Purser. 31, Idle. 32, Drive out. 33, Sowing.

DOWN.—1, Gassed. 2, Upends. 3, Hats. 4, Beer mug. 5, P-aul-a. 6, Flats. 8, Peat. 9, Red. 12, Me-N. 13, Elise. 15, Reg-al (Roy-Al). 18, On ice. 19, (harbour) Bar. 20, Got. 21, Manager. 22, Mow (rev.). 23, Cur-Lew. 24, Rose(s). 25, Wiring. 26, Aside. 27, Tapir. 28, Dud(s). 30, Pits.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY

The city reporter of The Jerusalem Post, Abraham Rabinovich, is congratulated by Interior Minister Yosef Burg yesterday after being awarded a Ministry prize for an article written in September 1972 on the battle to preserve Jerusalem's skyline. Mr. Rabinovich shared the IL4,000 prize — awarded for a work on urban problems — with Mr. Eytan Almog, of Israel Radio, for a recent broadcast on shelters. The ceremony took place at Binyanei Ha'ooma hall, Jerusalem, at the opening session of the Sixth National Conference of Local Administration. (Barzilay photo)

The horrors of the system

Papillon (Esther, Tel Aviv and Atzmon, Haifa) is based on the late Henri Charriere's best-selling book about his imprisonment in the penal colony of French Guiana and, *as one might expect, it is a grim* affair, something of an ordeal to sit through.

Condemned at the age of 25 to life imprisonment for a crime he did not commit, Papillon, as Charriere was nicknamed, tried to escape almost as soon as he arrived at the Saint Laurent penitentiary and, despite the odds against him, continued his attempts until his last (and successful bid) some 10 years later. Director Franklin Schaffner concentrates on the escape attempts and, in a somewhat conventional prison-film manner, on the horrors of the system. He does not attempt to convey the vehement protest against a society which permits men to be so inhumanly treated which is so strongly voiced in Charriere's book.

Schaffner also builds up the relationship between the two main characters: Papillon (Steve McQueen) and Louis Dega (Dustin Hoffman), the latter jailed for passing counterfeit money. He helps finance Papillon's escapes and is in turn protected by the latter, but if Schaffner wanted to show the growth of a warm intimacy between the two men, this does not emerge in any convincing manner.

McQueen plays his role as that of a loner, a man intent on surviving and getting away to the free world, and he brings a sense of determined purpose to his interpretation. His acting is particularly convincing during his solitary confinement in a dark, dank underground cell where we see him turn from a defiant fighter to what is almost a walking corpse, hardly able to speak and living on insects he picks off the floor and walls. These scenes are truly horrifying.

Dega, described by Charriere as "one of the most esteemed crooks in France," is played by Dustin Hoffman as a sort of pathetic buffoon, the idea being I suppose to point out the contrast with his friend's courage and endurance, the qualities without which he could not have survived.

The killer and the suicide

L'Emmerdeur (Gordon, Tel Aviv) is a black comedy which concerns the situations that arise when a killer, hired to shoot a certain man at a certain time from the window of a certain hotel, finds that the occupant of the neighbouring room is a would-be suicide and feels obliged to save him.

The film is an example of perfect collaboration between the scenario-writer, Francis Veber ("The Big Blond with One Black Shoe" and "Rabbi Jacob"), director Edouard Molinaro (best known as a director of thrillers) and stars Lino Ventura and Jacques Brel, and the result is a comedy which is packed with suspense as well as hilarious incidents excellently timed and is splendidly acted.

Lino Ventura as the man with the gun and Jacques Brel as the man with the suitcase (he is a commercial traveller in men's shirts and ties with a wife who has left him for a psychiatrist) make first-rate foils for one another and doubtless they will be teamed up again. Ventura with his solid body and heavy face and apparent ruthlessness hiding an unexpected heart could not be bettered and neither could Brel with his slight figure and ingratiating smile as the bore, the nuisance, or, as the Hebrew title has it, the *nudnik*, always in the way, infuriating one to death and yet likeable in his maddening way.

Also in the cast are Nino Castelnuovo (the waiter), Caroline Cellier (the wife) and Jean-Piere Darras (the psychiatrist), and Raoul Coutard is the cinematograper.

It is all really great fun.

Don Juan '73 (Limor, Tel Aviv), written and directed by Roger Vadim, is one of the silliest and most pretentious films I have seen.

It was Vadim who, in 1956, made Brigitte Bardot a star in "Et Dieu crea la Femme," and in her first appearance under his direction since 1962, he presents her as the female reincarnation of Don Juan.

Brigitte is still a lovely creature but she never was much of an actress. She has not improved, and now she moves stiffly and mouths her words as if she had just learnt the alphabet. But then the text she is given to speak is as absurd as the episodes she takes part in. The sets, nearly always on the grandiose side, are sometimes effectively photographed (Henri Decae and Andreas Winding).

An utter waste of some good actors who include Maurice Ronet, Robert Hossein and Mathieu Carriere.

S.W.

MUSIC

Wrong choice of works

CELLIST Heled's grave mistake in this recital (Tel Aviv, Museum, May 4) was his choice of works. One can understand and even appreciate the desire to avoid, as far as possible, the more conventional names and compositions, but with the exception of Schumann's "Fantasie-Stucke" and possibly Beethoven's Variations on a theme from Mozart's "Magic Flute," there was little absorbing or meaningful music in the programme.

Sammartini's sonata provided a neutral curtain-raiser but even Heled's stylistically authentic and leisurely performance could make up for the insignificance of the piece. The variations were more impressive and in some of the slower parts Heled achieved some very good results. He also seemed to like Bruch's "Kol Nidrei" and wisely avoided sentimentality. But once again the quality of the performance could hardly make this incongruous mixture of solemn melody and cheap German romanticisim any more palatable.

The beautiful Schumann pieces offered an opportunity and posed a challenge but unfortunately Heled lacked the necessary breadth, sweep and imagination to meet the requirements. On the other hand, Bloch's "Meditation Hebraique" seemed to provide the cellist with a more appropriate framework for expression and the piece emerged remarkably well. The concluding Grieg Sonata was a disappointment, but this was the fault of the composition and not because of any inadequacies in the performance.

Yonathan Zak, who most of the evening seemed too much in the shadows, finally seized the initiative in the sonata, enhancing the piano part with considerable beauty. However, from two such excellent musicians as Simcha Heled and Yonathan Zak one would have expected a better programme.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

REWARDS AND PENALTIES

BRIDGE deals can be at times daring adventures with who knows what rewards or punishments are in the offing. Today's deal occurred in a Jerusalem duplicate tournament.

E-W Vul.

NORTH
♠ J 9 4 2
♡ K J 6 3
◇ K 10 5 4
♣ 8

WEST (D)
♠ K 7 6 5
♡ Q 8
◇ A Q J
♣ J 7 5 3

EAST
♠ A Q 10 8 3
♡ 9 4 2
◇ 9 6
♣ K 9 2

SOUTH
♠ — —
♡ A 10 7 5
◇ 8 7 3 2
♣ A Q 10 6 4

West bid 1 NT, North passed, and East bid 2♣. South asked East about the 1 NT and was told that it was weak, 12-14 high card points. South asked West about the meaning of the 2♣ bid. He was informed that it was not Stayman, but a transfer bid to diamonds. Surely East planned to bid spades after hearing 2◇ from West.

South who had no notion of where the hand would go decided to try to disrupt the opposition. He stuck in a 2◇ bid. It can be fun to take away the opponents' bids. West decided to leave things to his partner, *although he might have* doubled to show his ◇ strength. North passed and East showed his true colours with a bid of 2♠. South continued his aggressive tactics by a bid of 3♣.

West felt that it was really time to make his presence felt, so he bid 3♠. At this point North counted his partner for a genuine ◇ suit and few if any spades. He also knew that he, North, had excellent support in diamonds and was sitting over the NT bid with good hearts. So he bid 4◇. This was doubled by East, perhaps to prevent his partner from venturing further in spades.

West led a ♠ into a cross ruff. South won the opening lead with a trump, won the ♣A, alternatively ruffed three clubs and three spades, won the ♡K and then the ♡A, and could not be prevented from winning the ◇K on the lead of the fifth ♣. This meant that 11 tricks were made on only 18 high card points. Winning the contract and making such a good score was more than South could have anticipated from his daring 2◇ bid.

BRIDGE CALENDAR
Results

Jerusalem Pair Championship: Round Robin, 16 pairs; 1. Shapiro-Fertig 64%. 2. Migletter-Shiriqui 60%. 3. Eisinger-Hardon 59%. 4. Schapira-Yaffe 58%.

Haifa — Hastamauth Cup, three rounds: 1. Amit Jr. — Amit 63%. 2. Dr. Markovits — Dr. Geller 58%. 3. Mme Gerchman-Sussa 57%. 3. Birman-Tobias 56%.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m. Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum. Beersheba — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am.

Haifa — City: Monday, Thursday: Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi.

Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon. **Jerusalem** — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel. **Kiryat Haim** — Tuesday: Beit Nagler. **Kiryat Tiven** — Sunday: Beit Hahistadrut.

Netanya — Monday: Orly Hotel, Thursday: Wizo Hall. **Pardes Hana** — Sunday: Wizo Hall. **Rehovot** — Monday: Masonic Hall. **Savyon** — Sunday: Avia Hotel. **Tel Aviv** — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes' Club.

	Unit Price	Redemption Price
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PIA	327.9	315.7
YIGDAL	356.4	343.1

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Firm, then slight rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The market became firm yesterday in the opening rounds. In the variables there was a slightly tendency for prices to rise. The turnover was IL3,575,800 (less than the previous days): of this, IL1,512,500 was in the variables.

In a offer of 20,000 Bank Leumi failed to lower the price in the opening round, the variables saw the price rising by one point to 261. Mizrahi gained 0.5 and then 2.5, closing at 189, with a turnover of 184. IDB gained four (130,000 demanded) and then two, to close at 222,000 with a turnover of 240,000.

Index-linked bonds rose slightly. The turnover was IL10,978,100. The dollar Natad remained at IL4.62 despite a demand of 96,600. The turnover was $125,000.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	285	235
6% Electric Corp A	r	133	133
6% Electric Corp B	r	141.5	143.5
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elite 1965, Index 110.1	b	315	315
Bitahon 1968, Series 61	b	142.5	143.1
Bitahon 1969, Series 61	b	265	265
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	260.5	260.5
I.D.B. pref.	r	271.5	264
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	220	216
Union Bank	r	303.5	308.5
Israel British Bank	b	343	343
Discount Bank "A"	r	515	510
United Mizrahi Bank	b	189	186
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	298	298
Bank Leumi "A"	r	261	260
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	251	251
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	186	192
Bank Binyan	b	360.6	360.6
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	270	275
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	186	186
Tefahot 8%	b	275	274
Tefahot	b	271.5	271
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	69.5	70
Hassneh Insurance	b	262	260
Sahar — "C"	b	336	335
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	186.5	186
Delek C	r	178	177
Cold Storage—IL30	r	193	191
Israel Electric Corp.	r	65	64.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	176	176
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	199	200
Africa Israel 10	r	352	350
Isr. Land Dev.	b	192	188
Solel Boneh 10%	b	144	144
Property & Build.	r	253	253
Isras	b	180	177.5
Mehadrin	r	200	197
I.C.P. for Citrus	b	98.5	94
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	173.5	170
Neot Aviv	r	98.5	101
Pri Or Ltd.	r	188	188
Rassco—8%	r	98.5	95.5
Rassco—O.	r	75.5	74.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	475	483
Elco—2.5	b	104	103.5
Electra—5	r	232	232
"Argaman"—8%	b	334.5	333
"Ata"—C	r	128	129
Dubek	b	441	444
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	220	222
Teva	b	1301	1320
Chem. & Phosphates	r	100	103.5
Lewin Epstein	b	67.5	67
Moller Textile	r	161	161
Phoenicia—9%	b	110	111.5
Paper Mills	r	310	311
Assis "B"	r	228	228
Nechushtan	b	450	456
Shemen—8%	b	135	134
"Tzal" Plywood	b	250	247
Elite (A)		304	305
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	91	91
Ellern	b	197	197
Israel Central Trade	r	193.5	200.5
Bank Hapoalim	b	237.5	237.5
Paz	b	100	101.5
Wolfson IL10	b	112.5	111
Ampa	r	130.5	131
Discount Bank	b	246.5	247.5
United Mizrahi	b	117.5	116
Bank Leumi	r	228	228.5
Piryon Investment	r	98	105
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	108	105
Export Bank	b	80	78
Clal Investment	r	195	195
Clal Industries	r	190	188
FUEL & OIL			
Lapidoth OTC	r	90	90
Naphta OTC	r	178	178

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WALL STREET

Closing Tuesday, May 7, 1974

Little change in stocks

NEW YORK (AP). — Stock prices were almost unchanged yesterday in a market still inhibited by high interest rates.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was up a point and a half 30 minutes before the close, while declining issues were about level with gainers on the New York Stock Exchange in slow trading.

The market, as measured by the Dow, posted a gain early in the session, then slipped gradually backward. The pattern was a mirror image of Monday's session, when prices slowly recovered most of the ground lost in an early slide.

Analysts said these narrow and inconsistent fluctuations carried little significance. They said many institutional investors and traders were simply paying little attention to stocks at the moment, riding out the current surge in interest rates with their funds in short-term fixed income investments.

The Dow Jones index of industrial stocks closed up 2.27, at 847.15.

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Am Bdcst	34½	CPC Intl	33½	Koppers	27⅞	Schering	69⅞
Amer Can	28⅝	Crane Co	24¼	Libb O Fd	30	Scott Pap	16⅛
A Cyan	23⅛	Crown Cork	19⅞	Liggt My	8⅛	Sears Roe	—
A Home	39	Crwn Zell	66½	Litton Ind	4⅞	Shell Oil	—
A Mfl Ctr	45⅞	Dan River	8½	Lockheed	10	Singer Co	—
Amer Mot	7¼	Deere Co	38½	LTV Corp	16⅝	Smith KF	—
A Smelt R	38⅝	Dist Seag	39¾	Macy RH	5¼	Sony	—
Am Stand	14	Dow Chem	64½	Magnavox	37⅝	South Ry	—
Amer T & T	47⅞	Dress Ind	44¾	Mfrs Han	26¼	Sperry Rnd	—
AMF Inc	18⅛	Dupont	173½	Marath	18⅝	St Brands	—
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Atl Rich	93⅞	El Paso NG	13	Matsush	30	Sterl Drug	—
Avco	6⅛	ESB	23⅝	McDon D	70⅝	Stu War	—
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Bendix	27½	Fair Cam	54¾	Mobil Oil	64⅝	Tenneco	23¼
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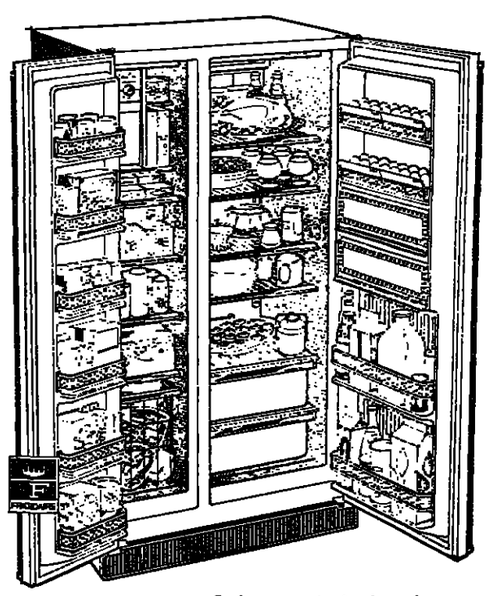

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SPY STORY: UNHAPPY END

THERE is wide regret at the resignation of Chancellor Brandt in Bonn on Monday night, two weeks after one of his closest collaborators admitted to being an East German spy holding officer rank in the East German army. Brandt has been seen as one of the few national leaders of moral courage and political stature — outside Germany even more than inside his own country — and the only significant figure working for a European unity that is something more than a market-place for the products of Europe.

Brandt won the Nobel Peace prize for the courageous vision of his Ostpolitik, the policy of detente towards Russia and the rest of Eastern Europe that led to treaties with Moscow and Warsaw, and an agreement with East Germany based on far-reaching concessions, including a West German representative in East Berlin who would be an ambassador in all but name.

This policy of one-sided detente was wholly rational and even necessary, but not particularly popular even in Brandt's own party. The conservative opposition in Germany opposed it hotly, and the exposure of Guenter Guillaume will only reinforce their widely-held view that the countries of Eastern Europe would grab what advantages they could and wait for the day when they could overrun the West as they overran Czechoslovakia and Hungary. The Ostpolitik as a whole has progressed too far and is too useful for both sides to suffer more than a temporary setback, but one can scarcely imagine the inauguration of full formal relations between West and East Germany being celebrated next week as planned.

Guillaume, the agent, "escaped" from East Germany 19 years ago and may have spent the entire period building up the identity which led to his becoming a close friend of the Chancellor: a corny spy story that should not have come true. We in Israel could look upon the Chancellor's personal and political tragedy with more equanimity if it did not spell out so clearly that it takes more than one side to create an understanding, and more than concessions to obtain peace. Chancellor Brandt not only fought the Nazis, but his entire philosophy was democratic and as such he was one of the few Germans for whom there was a feeling of regard and friendship here, somewhat muted, perhaps, after his vaunted courage failed him in the face of the Arab oil boycott.

His party had suffered several sharp electoral reverses recently, largely because of a far-left youth section that frightened off the voters. Yet his burning faith in the essential rationality of the human race will be badly missed on the international scene. Can it really be misplaced?

The next Chancellor, Helmut Schmidt, has in the past shown sympathy and understanding for Israel, but this may well be only a modest blessing compared to the harm that has been caused to East-West detente by the Guillaume affair. This may already be showing itself in Soviet support of Syrian belligerence in the north.

Search for new men

By Joseph Kraft

PARIS — THE first round of the French presidential election confirms what has become an iron law of politics in the Western democracies. Governing parties everywhere are losing strength, but opposition parties are not gaining.

Instead the votes are going to third forces grouped around personalities with a seemingly direct approach to problems nobody understands very well. As a result, solid majorities are increasingly hard to find these days.

That pattern has now emerged in countries of the most diverse kinds. Recent elections in Britain, Japan, Israel, Denmark and West Germany all fit the mold.

The underlying explanation seems to be that voters, disillusioned by years of steady economic growth, are looking for new men with new ways to deal with such unhappy side-effects of growth as inflation, corruption and official complacency.

Here in France, as elsewhere, the prime victim of these feelings was the chief Government candidate. Former Prime Minister Jacques Chaban-Delmas had the backing of the Gaullist party machine and its leading public figures. He came on, in the words of one of his admirers, as "the grandson of General de Gaulle and the son of Georges Pompidou."

But encumbered by yesterday's men, he could not win credibility for his pledge of a "new society." The party machine, here as everywhere else, turned out to be a myth.

Like many veteran politicians moreover, Chaban-Delmas had some dubious tax deductions and some shady contributions. The whiff of corruption hurt him badly in such traditional rural strongholds of Gaullism as Brittany and Alsace-Lorraine. He came in third with under 15 per cent of the vote — about half of what he figured to get when the campaign began.

Giscard d'Estaing ... 'he has the momentum to win fairly big.'

His losses did not swell the vote of the chief anti-Government candidate, Francois Mitterrand. Mitterrand had the unified support of three opposition parties — the Socialists, the Communists and the Independent Radicals.

He ran an effective campaign — taking his distances from the Communists and showing himself to be a man of stable middle-class instincts and statesmanlike outlook. He led the field with about 43 per cent of the vote. But that was far less than the 46 or 47 per cent Mitterrand and his men were looking for when the voting began.

Apparently some voters, keen for a change and not averse to the left, were suspicious of the opportunism in Mr. Mitterrand's richly political past. He ran below par in districts noted for loyalty to Communist and Socialist candidates. A woman Trotskyite picked up nearly 2.5 per cent of what normally would have been a Mitterrand vote.

The great beneficiary of the Gaullist collapse was Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing. His Independent Republican Party has virtually no local organization. But the Finance Minister more than made up for the party weakness with a brilliant personal campaign. In winning almost 33 per cent of the vote, he used all the modern methods — television, polling, celebrity-backing, even Giscard d'Estaing T-shirts.

He was able to project his undoubted personal honesty. He was also able to dispel his major handicap — the appearance of being an upper-class prig. He was even able to convert a burden into an asset.

As Finance Minister he should have borne major blame for the inflation afflicting this country. But he showed a better grasp of the economy than his opponents. The polls showed that when it came to public confidence in fighting inflation, Giscard d'Estaing led the field.

The statistical experts claim that the run-off between d'Estaing and Mitterrand on May 19 will be very close. My own sense is that Giscard d'Estaing has the momentum to win fairly big. In any case, France will be getting a serious and able president.

But with the Gaullists still holding a huge bloc of seats in the National Assembly, neither candidate can command an easy majority. Whoever wins will have to grope his way forward for months, perhaps years, to come. *(Copyright)*

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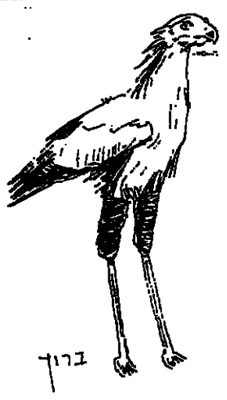
Emblem for Dr. K.



IF Secretary of State Kissinger, the flying diplomat, has ever thought of having a coat of arms devised, he might take the Secretary Bird as his emblem.

Not that the physical features and attributes of this bird, whose natural habitat is south of the Sahara, can be said to resemble those of Dr. Kissinger, even to a caricaturist's eye. In the first place, it is very tall (and thus might be more suitably adopted by Mrs. Kissinger). Its Latin name is *Sagittarius serpentarius*, the adjective because it can kill the most venomous snakes by striking them repeatedly with its taloned feet. Its long legs, together with its habit of leaping back after each stroke (does that describe the Kissinger technique of mediation?), save the bird from being bitten.

The Secretary Bird got its name because the tufts of long black feathers at the back of the head and on the nape reminded early naturalists of a secretary with quills in his hair.

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Sister cities

AFULA has long been the Cinderella of Israel's cities, but she has at least found her Prince Charming in the central Californian town of Fresno.

A Sister City Project between Fresno and Afula was officially launched last month at a dinner attended by civic and religious leaders and Israeli consular officials from San Francisco.

Fresno, located in the heart of a rich farm area reclaimed from the desert, shares many of the agricultural problems facing Israel, Mr. Ted Wills, the mayor, noted in his address. The city has a population of 175,000, of which only one per cent is Jewish. It has the second largest concentration of Armenians in the United States and a large Catholic community.

A Sister City mission is scheduled to leave for Afula in October. The programme is being coordinated by leaders of the Jewish community, the Catholic Diocese, and the Armenian Brotherhood. *T.T.*

Marrano lineage?

IS General Antonio de Spinola, the new leader of Portugal, of Marrano descent?

Three years ago, this newspaper reported the gift to Haifa's Maritime Museum of a medal struck in the early 17th century in honour of a famous Spanish general, Ambrogio (Ambrosio) Spinola. One side of the medal bears a quotation from the Psalms in Hebrew. At the time, the theory was put forward that this Spanish general may have belonged to a Jewish family which converted to Christianity during the Inquisition, but secretly practised their Jewish faith.

If Portugal's General de Spinola is a descendant of the 17th century Spanish general, he too may have originated from a Marrano family. There is in any case some similarity in the careers of the two men. The modern Spinola was ousted from his post of commander-in-chief of the Portuguese forces because he wrote that Portugal could not hold on to her African colonies by force and urged some sort of conciliation with the population. The earlier General Spinola, who had been appointed commander-in-chief of the Spanish forces in the Netherlands, was dismissed by King Philip IV because of his conciliatory policy towards the conquered Dutch territories. There is a painting by Velasquez showing him at his victorious siege of Breda in 1625. *Y.F.*

Case of laughter

LAUGHTER is not a criminal offence.

This, at least, was the considered legal opinion of Magistrate Ram Savir last week in the case of Monette Tayari, 25, of Acre, who was charged with "laughing uproariously" on a public bus last September.

Monette was approached by a zealous policewoman who happened to be travelling on the same bus between Acre and Haifa and told her to stop laughing. She didn't, and the policewoman ordered the driver to change his route for the Kiryat Haim police station where charges were pressed.

The astonished judge dismissed the charge as "ridiculous," that is, laughable." *(Itim)*

READERS' LETTERS

PREMATURE SCEPTICISM

Ha'aretz (non-party) thinks the absolute scepticism of some observers about the prospects of the disengagement negotiations premature: While Moscow wants to prove to Syria, to the Arab world and to itself that Dr. Kissinger is not all-powerful in the Middle East, that does not necessarily mean that the Russians do not ultimately want an Israeli-Syrian disengagement; and if they do, they no doubt realize that it can be achieved only on terms that are also acceptable to Israel. "The Israeli Government seems so far to have acted with the right combination of determination and flexibility, but its reasonable offers have, as far as is known, been rejected. The refusal, though, is not necessarily the last word and patient negotiation remains indicated. However, it must be realized that the international constellation will not permit Israel to content itself with coming to terms with Egypt alone. A *modus vivendi* with Cairo makes settlements elsewhere only more desirable, and in view of Syria's bonds with Moscow, Israel must maintain coordination with Washington. Preserving the 'violet line' must remain the guiding principle, but the government should not be blamed if it observes it with dogmatism."

Davar (Histadrut) sees little ground for optimism. "Gromyko's efforts in Damascus seem to have made things no easier for Dr. Kissinger: He seems to be out to make the American mediation fail so that the negotiations shall be moved to Geneva and the USSR will have a full share in them. The Syrians have kept up hostilities at full strength in spite of Israel's restraint. Above all, Syria has so far shown no signs of thinking of anything more than a very temporary settlement. There was therefore little point for the Government in taking any new decisions, since the measure of its concessions is a function of the nature of the settlement and of the U.S. attitude to it. Israel must continue to explore all prospects inherent in the negotiations, and can do so only in secret. The Opposition is entitled to voice its views, but the Government's statements can be couched only in general terms if they are not to endanger negotiation prospects."

Israel needs Moshe Dayan

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — To the world at large and to some of us here, Moshe Dayan has become the symbol of his generation — the "New Jew" that Sokolow wrote about in his famous essay that inspired many of us to interpret our Judaism by coming here and being one of the multiple of "a million by which we would then have our Jewish State."

Dayan and his generation of sabras, and now their sons, born of the soil — courageous, dauntless, outspoken, devoid of false conventions and ghetto complexes — are the obvious heirs to the generation of David Ben-Gurion, who symbolized the vision and the action which made the Jewish State a reality in our time.

Ben-Gurion saw in Dayan his heir. Dayan is now threatened, as was Ben-Gurion, with being driven into the wilderness by the petty wrangling which once again has become part of our political life. Deprived of Ben-Gurion's great vision and those who best interpret it into action, the nation itself is in real danger of losing its way in the wilderness.

We are close enough to Ben-Gurion to know of his mistakes and human weaknesses — but to him the vision was always clear to the very last moment of his life. Dayan, who was closest to him all these years, understands this vision. He is the one man in our midst who really understands the Arabs and who in return is respected and secretly admired by them. Dayan's policy of open bridges was the one and only really positive forward-looking policy that has come out of the Six Day War. In the context of our future in the Middle East, we need men of vision, courage and determination. Because he understands the Arabs, he must know too that only firm, courageous and clearly defined decisions born of confidence in our power, but tempered with tolerance and understanding, can lead us forward in these fearful times.

Ben-Gurion's firm and obstinate decision to declare the State of Israel against all odds externally and opposition internally was a fateful moment in our history. We face such fateful moments now. Dayan is nearer to Ben-Gurion than any leader in Israel today. It is the vision of the Jewish people as Ben-Gurion saw it against the backdrop of Jewish history which will serve us now.

DOREEN GUINSBERG

Haifa, May 1.

An invitation to disaster

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Abba Eban is quoted in your issue of May 7 as saying: "To rebuff Kissinger means a rupture with the U.S." Probably this is the consensus of opinion of the present Israel Government. If so, this constitutes a more serious mistake in assessment of the situation than was the pre-October 6 assessment of Egyptian intentions.

It is vital that the Israeli Government understand that, as long as Nixon continues in his present shaky condition, he would not dare to take steps to offend the Jewish community. He is not going to look for more trouble than he already has. This aside from the fact that backing for Israel in Congress is overwhelming. Israel's hand is therefore much stronger than our weak-kneed Government seems to realize. All Kissinger can do to us would be to cause a temporary slowdown of supplies to us which would be as quickly overruled as it was at the beginning of the October 6 war.

Giving in to Kissinger on Kuneitra, the Hermon peak and perhaps other points west of the purple line means only one thing: We have given in to pressure political and/or military, and if we have given in once, everybody will understand that what has worked once will work again. It is an invitation to continued disaster.

MAXIMILIAN GLINERT

Haifa, May 7.

Information in Argentina

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to the J.T.A. report you published on April 16, criticizing Zionist information policy in Argentina, we would like to point out some of the activities of the Zionist Organization in Argentina, carried out in full cooperation with the Organization and Information Department of the World Zionist Organization.

1. Thousands of copies of the publication "Desafio" are distributed to Jewish organizations, schools, youth and sport clubs.

2. Informative material of the various departments of the World Zionist Organization are constantly distributed to Zionist organizations, and branch offices.

3. Seminars and study days are held in the capital and provincial cities to increase Zionist awareness.

4. When the Yom Kippur War broke out, booths were set up and demonstrations organized in support of Israel: they undoubtedly contributed to the decision of hundreds of volunteers to come to Israel. Representatives of the Department of Organization and Information contracted all these volunteers and discussed with them their future activities in support of the Zionist cause.

5. We organized visits of Jewish intellectuals to Argentina, including a trip of Albert Memmi on the occasion of the publication in Spanish of his book, "Liberation of the Jew."

6. Recently, the Department of Organization and Information of the World Zionist Organization made a special broadcast on the subject of terror and sent out as it does every year on the occasion of Independence day, informative material including special items in Spanish, which have already been successfully used.

7. A few months ago, the Broadcasting Authority started daily programmes beamed to South America, and the Zionist Organization in Argentina gave wide publicity to them.

This is just part of the many information activities of the Zionist movement in Argentina. In view of the special problems involved in Zionist information policy in South America and its requirements which change from day to day, a study is at present being made of methods best suited to the situation. Recently, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and the World Zionist Organization set up a joint committee to study the problem in depth and suggest special projects to increase the scope of information activities.

The claim that there is lack of communication between the Zionist movement and the Zionist parties in Argentina is without foundation.

When the Zionist Executive met in February, the representatives of Zionist parties in Argentina participated in the meeting, both as members of the Executive and as a special delegation. Moreover, the Zionist leadership recently held two special meetings with representatives of all world organizations to discuss Latin America, and the representatives of the organizations undoubtedly informed their parties in Argentina about the discussions.

With regard to "Aliya Month," this is a feature in Jewish communities all over the world. Its purpose is to create an atmosphere favourable to immigration. The results of "Aliya Month" in previous years have proved its value.

MOSHE KALKHEIM, Director
Press Section,
World Zionist Organization

Tel Aviv, April 29.

The search for missing men

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The search of the bodies of soldiers missing on the Sinai front was stopped at the end of March. There have apparently been no negotiations with the Egyptians since then on the question. And with the passing of the weeks, the chances of finding the bodies become less and less.

We ask that every possible effort be made to get the search resumed, and that the search then be carried out in all areas where our soldiers fell. We ask also that the Government make a thorough investigation to establish that there are no prisoners still being held by Egypt for one reason or another.

Our son Yitzhak is among the missing. He was last seen jumping with a friend from a tank which had been hit. The area has been searched many times, but no sign has been found of either of the two. Because of this we feel that something can still be done to clear up their fate and that of the many others still missing.

FRIEDA & MESHULAM ROSENZWEIG

Jerusalem, May 1.

(An official Army spokesman has stated that the Army is certain that there are now no Israeli prisoners remaining in Egypt. Ed. *J.P.*)

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